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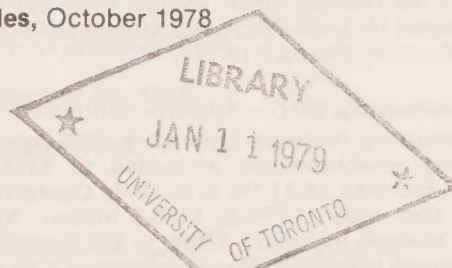
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Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances, October 1978 (43-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Radio Air-time Sales, August 1978 (56-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Water Transport (54-003, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 8, No. 10, Cargo Loaded and Unloaded in Coastwise Shipping by Vessels of Foreign Registries, July-September 1978 and 1977

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1971=100)

	Oct. 1978	Sept. 1978	Aug. 1978	July 1978	Oct. 1977
Canada	216.7	213.3	210.7	208.0	185.2
Prince Edward Island	228.3	228.3	266.0	252.8	184.9
Nova Scotia	220.8	214.0	393.0	212.9	194.2
New Brunswick	247.6	267.9	268.7	293.6	203.2
Quebec	214.7	212.6	207.9	206.7	186.8
Ontario	213.3	210.5	201.6	202.4	177.2
Manitoba	232.4	223.4	217.9	217.0	193.3
Saskatchewan	212.3	209.5	206.0	207.1	190.4
Alberta	226.4	220.2	215.0	214.9	188.6
British Columbia	193.2	194.0	199.1	191.9	174.5

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1971=100), October 1978 — Advance Information

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for the month of October stood at 216.7, an increase of 1.6% from the September level of 213.3.

The index of farm prices of agricultural products has been rebased to a new time and weight base with 1971 being the new reference year. For further information concerning the rebased index, contact Peter Lys or George Beelen (613-995-4895), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Oilseeds, November 1978 — Advance Information

Crushings of oilseeds for November, with oil produced and meal produced (all figures in metric tonnes):

- Soybeans: 64 383 (11 129; 50 277).
- Rapeseed: 60 119 (24 707; 35 616).

For further information, order the November issue of *Grains and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, 40¢/\$4), or contact J.M. Huard (613-995-4881), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Public Warehousing, 1977 — Advance Information

In 1977, operating revenues reported by 293 public warehousing establishments amounted to \$171.7 million, an increase of 11.7% over 1976. Operating expenses also rose 11.7% to \$156.5 million. Net operating revenue increased 12.0% to \$15.2 million and net income before income tax was down 1.1% at \$9.1 million.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6 or order the 1977 edition of *Public Warehousing* (catalogue 63-212).

Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, October 1978 — Advance Information

Advance information on canned and frozen fruits and vegetables for the month of October is now available.

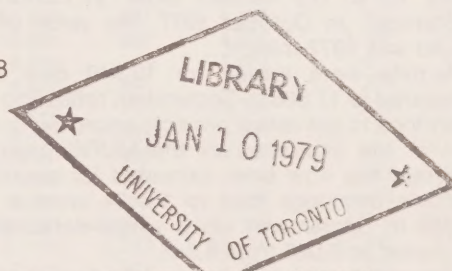
For further information, order the October issue of *Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Building Permits

(million of dollars)

		1977					1978				
		Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total	Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total
Canada — Unadjusted	Aug.	733.9	119.5	275.4	145.9	1,274.7	750.9	95.0	323.8	133.1	1,302.8
	Sept.	689.1	120.0	235.7	161.6	1,206.4	685.2	82.3	362.4	114.5	1,244.4
	Oct.	631.0	111.6	205.1	83.8	1,031.5	707.9	106.3	312.5	113.3	1,240.0
Canada — Adjusted	Aug.	598.4	86.7	209.9	115.8	1,010.8	617.0	75.4	239.0	112.3	1,043.7
	Sept.	620.5	99.1	214.0	153.0	1,086.6	618.8	66.0	340.8	110.1	1,135.7
	Oct.	605.7	90.5	208.3	72.9	977.4	694.6	85.4	300.1	95.4	1,175.5
Canada Jan.-Oct. 1978											
Unadjusted		6,433.8	873.6	2,033.4	1,144.4	10,485.2	6,436.5	842.4	2,594.9	1,092.8	10,966.6
Newfoundland		47.0	8.1	25.9	9.8	90.8	40.9	2.6	15.8	15.0	74.3
Prince Edward Island		34.7	10.0	6.6	9.0	60.3	33.5	7.9	9.2	31.6	82.2
Nova Scotia		185.3	7.5	35.9	27.5	256.2	188.6	8.7	52.2	57.8	307.3
New Brunswick		89.8	5.1	31.0	18.9	144.8	92.4	10.5	53.2	33.6	189.7
Quebec		1,293.2	199.8	342.8	314.9	2,150.7	1,203.7	191.5	356.5	238.4	1,990.1
Ontario		2,259.9	384.5	598.6	362.5	3,605.5	2,185.7	376.4	829.0	255.9	3,647.0
Manitoba		207.3	22.2	58.0	39.2	326.7	253.1	18.4	84.0	45.4	400.9
Saskatchewan		268.2	17.5	101.9	42.2	429.8	234.3	10.1	103.3	53.5	401.2
Alberta		1,142.2	128.1	492.2	119.0	1,881.5	1,377.9	127.9	750.6	227.7	2,484.1
British Columbia		889.8	90.7	338.7	193.0	1,512.2	806.9	85.5	329.2	127.9	1,349.5
N.W.T. and Yukon		16.4	0.1	1.8	8.4	26.7	19.5	2.9	11.9	6.0	40.3

Building Permits (Seasonally Adjusted), October 1978
— Advance Information

The value of residential permits issued climbed sharply in October to a seasonally-adjusted \$695 million (\$619 million in September) and contributed to raise the level of proposed building construction of all types to \$1,175 million from \$1,135 million in September. In October 1977, the value of permits issued was \$977 million.

Permits were issued for 19,940 new dwellings compared to 17,606 in September, reflecting builders' intentions to get rental projects approved in anticipation of the expiration of the MURB program (the program has now been extended for another year). Multiple dwellings rose to 10,894 units in October (9,040 in September) while single-detached homes increased to 9,046 from 8,566.

Non-residential permits which had reached a level of \$517 million in September dropped to \$481 million in October. Levels of both commercial and government-initiated projects decreased to \$300 million and \$95 million in October from \$341 million and \$110 million in September. Industrial projects rose to \$85 million from \$66 million in the preceding month.

Incomplete returns for November indicate that the strength observed in residential permits activity in October is not likely to persist, and non-residential permits will also be weak. The value of permits issued is estimated at a seasonally-adjusted rate of \$1,040 million compared to \$1,081 million in November 1977.

For further information, order the October issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, 70¢/\$7), or contact J.P. Delisle (613-995-8215), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Provincial Government Employment, July-September 1978
— Advance Information

The general government services in Canada's provincial and territorial governments (excluding British Columbia) reported gross payrolls for the third quarter of 1978 of \$1,348 million, an increase of 2.8% over \$1,311 million for the previous quarter of April-June 1978. The number of employees reported for the last pay period in September 1978 was 369,754, a decrease of 0.6% from 372,117 for the same pay period in June 1978.

For further information, order the third quarter issue of *Provincial Government Employment* (72-007, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact Mr. W.L. Vincent (613-995-8201), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Telecommunications Statistics, Third Quarter 1978
— Advance Information

Telelobe Canada, Canadian National Telecommunications and Canadian Pacific (Telecommunications Branch) reported combined revenue of \$88.2 million in the third quarter of 1978, up 19.6% from the July-September period of 1977. Operating expenses increased 7.5% to \$68.0 million. Net operating revenue at \$20.3 million was up from \$10.5 million in the third quarter of 1977.

For further information, order the *Communications Service Bulletin*, Telecommunications Statistics, Third Quarter 1978 (56-001, \$1.40 a year), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Building Permits

October 1978

	Number of Dwelling Units			Value of Residential and Non-Residential Construction				
	Singles	Multiples	Total	Residen- tial	Indus- trial	Commer- cial (\$'000)	Institu- tional and govern- mental	Total
Newfoundland	43	194	237	6,693	647	1,612	363	9,315
Prince Edward Island	64	20	84	2,752	236	656	4,419	8,063
Nova Scotia	385	227	612	22,629	1,147	5,210	8,695	37,681
New Brunswick	127	100	227	7,184	371	3,537	1,020	12,112
Quebec	1,985	1,621	3,606	118,759	27,302	53,211	40,134	239,406
Ontario	2,292	4,442	6,734	241,461	39,205	93,127	19,869	393,662
Manitoba	355	369	724	23,540	3,507	8,818	1,840	37,705
Saskatchewan	467	227	694	25,684	964	10,415	1,984	39,047
Alberta	1,927	3,333	5,260	183,350	19,054	91,051	12,978	306,433
British Columbia	1,253	536	1,789	73,130	13,643	44,402	18,135	149,310
Yukon	51	—	51	2,326	118	296	3,860	6,600
Northwest Territories	10	—	10	347	136	194	—	677
Canada — Unadjusted	8,959	11,069	20,028	707,855	106,330	312,529	113,297	1,240,011
Canada — Adjusted	9,046	10,894	19,940	694,565	85,426	300,108	95,443	1,175,542
Metropolitan Areas	4,826	8,995	13,821	485,234	60,173	225,516	52,610	823,533
Calgary	511	2,064	2,575	79,883	971	47,301	66	128,221
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	39	192	231	6,947	281	893	—	8,121
Edmonton	538	757	1,295	51,138	14,017	17,693	645	83,493
Halifax	126	193	319	13,486	180	1,406	708	15,780
Hamilton	98	252	350	11,507	817	2,907	266	15,497
Hull	32	6	38	2,044	871	1,973	13,470	18,358
Kitchener	85	48	133	4,639	1,118	585	160	6,502
London	114	484	598	11,890	537	733	232	13,392
Montreal	744	601	1,345	45,188	9,067	25,897	11,717	91,869
Oshawa	30	29	59	2,681	68	3,718	238	6,705
Ottawa	111	283	394	13,324	697	4,696	333	19,050
Quebec	285	209	494	18,091	689	4,201	1,082	24,063
Regina	121	20	141	6,319	—	1,461	427	8,207
St. Catharines-Niagara	67	194	261	6,813	643	5,510	205	13,171
Saint John	15	5	20	925	113	1,308	559	2,905
St. John's	18	188	206	5,671	180	567	127	6,545
Saskatoon	147	71	218	7,651	200	6,519	188	14,558
Sudbury	20	—	20	1,044	271	1,856	487	3,658
Thunder Bay	40	8	48	2,609	85	2,190	35	4,919
Toronto	660	2,315	2,975	120,491	18,985	47,430	4,710	191,616
Vancouver	496	350	846	33,195	5,777	33,076	11,203	83,251
Victoria	136	2	138	7,439	273	1,367	724	9,803
Windsor	115	440	555	14,016	1,236	4,875	4,287	24,414
Winnipeg	278	284	562	18,243	3,097	7,354	741	29,435

*Preliminary figures.**For further information order Building Permits, October 1978 (64-001, 70¢/\$7).***Sales of Cement, November 1978 — Advance Information**

Advance information on sales of cement as reported by Canadian producers for the month of November is now available.

For details, contact Gordon McWade (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Advance Estimates of Employees

October 1978

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Number of Employees									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Oct. 1978f	Sept. 1978p	Aug. 1978r	Jul. 1978r	Oct. 1977 (000's)	Sept. 1977	Oct. 1978f	Sept. 1978p	Aug. 1978r	Jul. 1978r
Industry Division										
Forestry	73.1	77.9	82.1	77.8	73.3	75.3	66.6	67.8	67.3	63.6
Mining (including milling)	138.9	138.7	151.1	150.7	142.3	141.6	139.2	138.7	147.2	146.0
Manufacturing	1,849.5	1,855.6	1,864.3	1,836.0	1,800.2	1,810.6	1,836.0	1,828.1	1,822.5	1,814.2
Construction	476.8	484.7	484.3	481.0	500.8	517.0	438.0	436.9	430.7	435.8
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	822.5	827.6	819.3	827.8	813.8	821.8	817.9	813.6	803.6	803.5
Trade	1,494.6	1,469.5	1,457.7	1,466.5	1,451.9	1,429.4	1,472.7	1,468.2	1,468.6	1,475.2
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	487.7	486.0	489.6	497.4	485.8	485.0	488.2	485.3	485.3	490.7
Total Service	2,578.7	2,554.2	2,463.8	2,479.8	2,538.1	2,515.8	2,555.1	2,536.1	2,554.1	2,534.6
Non-commercial Service	1,433.4	1,399.4	1,284.2	1,292.7	1,414.0	1,379.9	1,403.8	1,397.6	1,425.0	1,401.0
Commercial Service	1,145.3	1,154.7	1,179.5	1,187.1	1,124.1	1,135.8	1,151.3	1,138.6	1,129.1	1,133.5
Public Administration and Defence(1)	623.5	632.9	662.1	672.4	616.5	625.8	634.5	633.7	633.8	634.6
Total Non-agricultural Industries(2)	8,558.2	8,541.6	8,488.8	8,504.0	8,428.6	8,431.9	8,461.9	8,420.2	8,423.6	8,408.4
Total Non-agricultural Industries										
Newfoundland	139.2	140.0	141.1	143.1	134.2	135.6	135.0	133.7	132.8	134.8
Prince Edward Island	31.4	31.8	32.3	32.9	29.3	30.6	30.7	30.0	29.6	30.1
Nova Scotia	252.5	253.3	253.1	254.2	245.6	247.5	249.3	248.7	245.1	245.6
New Brunswick	195.3	198.6	198.9	199.8	194.6	197.7	192.4	190.3	187.9	188.0
Quebec	2,156.4	2,149.5	2,142.2	2,118.0	2,159.3	2,166.4	2,123.2	2,113.5	2,133.8	2,103.2
Ontario	3,413.0	3,402.3	3,403.8	3,424.3	3,379.9	3,353.6	3,382.0	3,370.5	3,379.2	3,388.1
Manitoba	354.3	351.4	346.9	350.5	354.5	355.4	350.3	346.1	343.6	346.3
Saskatchewan	265.3	265.5	256.9	257.9	255.4	257.9	263.4	262.7	257.6	255.3
Alberta	772.5	769.5	766.3	771.2	730.6	733.4	766.7	758.7	756.1	756.1
British Columbia	941.7	941.3	909.5	913.2	917.1	920.8	930.8	930.9	925.3	927.6
Canada(3)	8,558.2	8,541.6	8,488.8	8,504.0	8,428.6	8,431.9	8,461.9	8,420.2	8,423.6	8,408.4

f first estimate based on a limited number of returns

p preliminary figures

r revised figures

(1) Excludes military personnel

(2) Includes Fishing and Trapping

(3) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories

Estimates of Employees, October 1978 — Advance Information

Monthly summary data are released on a regular basis in the *Statistics Canada Daily*, while detailed monthly information is published in catalogue 72-008, *Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry*, and is also available from Mr. G. Mahoney (613-992-3868), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

December 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Dec. 22/78 This week	Dec. 15/78 Week ago	Nov. 24/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	131	124.8	125.7	122.5
Industrials	83	119.5	120.0	117.1
Foods	8	128.0	130.9	124.8
Alcoholic beverages	5	106.1	107.2	106.9
Textiles and clothing	3	160.5	160.8	152.0
Pulp and paper	7	185.8	187.3	173.5
Printing and publishing	5	107.2	108.4	109.0
Primary metals	4	129.1	128.6	126.8
Industrial mines	6	85.2	86.3	83.9
Metal fabricating	9	189.6	188.2	185.9
Non-metallic minerals	4	136.4	135.2	131.5
Petroleum	8	127.2	126.4	125.3
Chemicals	5	115.0	117.7	116.0
Construction	4	395.1	394.3	374.2
Trade	15	102.0	103.0	102.0
Utilities and services	28	122.8	124.5	122.4
Transportation	6	177.4	183.7	177.5
Pipelines	5	98.2	98.9	98.4
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	135.5	137.5	135.2
Telephone	4	129.2	129.0	126.6
Electric power	3	152.8	152.8	146.6
Gas distribution	5	89.6	91.4	92.4
Finances	20	154.5	156.3	149.5
Banks	8	157.9	160.2	151.8
Investment and loan	8	137.8	138.0	134.5
Insurance	4	190.5	192.9	192.6
Mining Index	15	140.3	139.0	132.2
Gold	8	285.7	279.4	266.2
Base metals	7	70.5	71.7	67.9
Uraniums	2	233.2	234.2	238.4
Primary oils and gas index	5	168.9	168.5	162.1

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended December 30, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended December 30 was 286,900 short tons (260 271 t), a decrease of 19.0% from the preceding week's total of 354,027 short tons (321 168 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was a revised 224,494 short tons (203 658 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 156.6 in the current week, 193.2 a week earlier and 122.5 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending December 14, 1978

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,256,502	2,517,570	4,774,072
Short tons, 1977	2,338,017	1,843,903	4,181,920
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 047 064	2 283 901	4 330 965
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 121 013	1 672 761	3 793 774
% change	-3.5	36.5	14.2
Cars, 1978	36,972	36,878	73,850
Cars, 1977	38,575	29,304	67,879
% change	-4.2	25.8	8.8
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	152,013	69,718	221,731
Short tons, 1977	172,517	53,135	225,652
Metric tonnes, 1978	137 904	63 247	201 151
Metric tonnes, 1977	156 505	48 203	204 708
% change	-11.9	31.2	-1.7
Cars, 1978	4,851	2,695	7,546
Cars, 1977	5,202	2,409	7,611
% change	-6.7	11.9	-0.8
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	117,871,317	113,777,943	231,649,260
Short tons, 1977	132,476,755	108,172,992	240,649,747
Metric tonnes, 1978	106 931 060	103 217 614	210 148 674
Metric tonnes, 1977	120 180 890	98 132 888	218 313 778
% change	-11.0	5.2	-3.7
Cars, 1978	1,906,481	1,689,584	3,596,065
Cars, 1977	2,078,723	1,640,025	3,718,748
% change	-8.3	3.0	-3.3
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	8,135,906	3,067,951	11,203,857
Short tons, 1977	7,940,794	2,784,356	10,725,150
Metric tonnes, 1978	7 380 770	2 783 198	10 163 968
Metric tonnes, 1977	7 203 767	2 525 925	9 729 692
% change	2.5	10.2	4.5
Cars, 1978	246,845	119,868	366,713
Cars, 1977	242,401	120,722	363,123
% change	1.8	-0.7	1.0

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1977 figures have been revised — 1978 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ending December 14, 1978 — Published Only in the *Daily*

Loadings of revenue freight by railways in Canada totalled 4.3 million t (4.8 million short tons) in the above-noted period, an increase of 14.2% from the corresponding seven days in 1977. Tonnage in the East decreased 3.5%, while in the West shipments were up 36.5%.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments (included above) fell 11.9% in the East and rose 31.2% in the West to register an over-all decrease of 1.7%.

In the period January 1 to December 14, 1978, freight loaded by rail in Canada aggregated 210.1 million t (231.6 million short tons), 3.7% below the same period

in 1977. Loadings in the East were down 11.0%, while Western loadings showed a gain of 5.2%. Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic was 4.5% above the 1977 level.

For further information, contact Mr. M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Discontinued Publications

The *Daily* of November 2, 1978 carried a complete listing of all Statistics Canada publications that are being discontinued or curtailed due to budgetary reductions. Changes have now been made in the date of discontinuance of three of these reports (catalogues 21-003, 32-002 and 32-009) and full details are provided on page 3 of today's *Daily*.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Wholesale Trade, October 1978 (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Retail Trade, October 1978 (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50)

Local Government Employment, July—September 1978 (72-009, 70¢/\$2.80)

Gas Utilities, September 1978 (55-002, 30¢/\$3)

The Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Industry, 1977 (26-213, 70¢)

Operating Results, Independent Retail Hardware Stores, 1976 (63-605, 70¢)

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Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, December 1978 (32-009, 30¢/\$3)

Production of Eggs and Poultry, October 1978 (23-003, 30¢/\$3)

Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics, October 1978 (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Iron Castings and Cast Iron Pipe and Fittings, October 1978 (41-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Preliminary Report on Job Vacancies, Three Months Ended November 30, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates of the average number of jobs vacant on a daily basis during the three-month period ended November 30 remained unchanged from the previous three-month period. Vacancies for full-time, part-time and casual jobs were 48,600*. Compared with the corresponding three-month period in 1977, the number of vacancies increased 4,200 or 9%.

In the latest three-month period, vacancies for full-time jobs decreased by 1% to 43,200 from 43,500. Longer-term vacancies (jobs unfilled for more than four weeks) increased by 5%.

For every 1,000 existing jobs in the latest three-month period five were vacant, the same rate as in the preceding period and the comparable period a year earlier. The highest vacancy rate was observed in Alberta (11 per thousand). The lowest rate (three per thousand) occurred in Newfoundland and New Brunswick.

* The Job Vacancy Survey provides an estimate of the average number of vacancies available on any given day in a three-month period. The estimate of this three-month average is derived from six observations taken at regular intervals. Consequently, the survey does not cover those vacancies which occur and are filled between individual observations. In addition, the survey does not cover openings in agriculture, fishing, hunting, trapping and households. The data derived from the Job Vacancy Survey, taken over time, are consistent and reliable indicators of trends in job openings.

For detailed definitions and design of the survey, see *Canadian Job Vacancy Survey, Technical Appendix, 1972 (71-521, 50¢)*.

Vacancy Rates for Part-time and Full-time Jobs Canada and Provinces

	Three-month Periods Ending		
	Nov. 1978p	Aug. 1978	Nov. 1977
	(Rates per 1,000 jobs)		
Canada*	5	5	5
Atlantic Provinces**	4	4	3
Newfoundland	3	3	3
Nova Scotia	4	5	3
New Brunswick	3	4	3
Quebec	4	4	4
Ontario	6	5	6
Manitoba	6	5	4
Saskatchewan	6	5	5
Alberta	11	11	10
British Columbia	4	5	4

p Preliminary estimates.

* Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories.

** Includes Prince Edward Island.

For further information, contact Mr. J.A. Boucek (613-992-2006), or Ms. M. Beaubien (613-996-7148), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, November 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary statistics for November show that 1.7 million United States visitors entered Canada, up 2.2% from November 1977. Canadian residents returning from the U.S. numbered 2.3 million, a decrease of 0.4% from the preceding year. Visitors entering Canada from countries other than the U.S. increased by 18.6% to 65,000 while Canadian residents returning from these countries decreased by 2.4% to 81,000.

On a year-to-date basis, 30.0 million U.S. visitors entered Canada, a decline of 0.9% from January - November 1977, while the number of Canadian travellers returning from the U.S. totalled 35.1 million, down 1.8% from the same period in 1977. Visitors from other countries increased by 17.6% to 1.6 million, while Canadian residents returning from these countries numbered 1.7 million, an increase of 1.1% over the same 11-month period of 1977.

For further information, order the November issue of *International Travel — Advance Information (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50)*, or contact Mr. M. Valiquette (613-995-0847), Chief, International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings, November 1978 — Advance Information

Railways in Canada loaded 22.7 million short tons (20.6 million t) of revenue freight in November, an increase of 7.9% from a year earlier. The carriers received an additional 2.0 million short tons (1.8 million t) from the United States, an increase of 7.8% from November 1977.

Commodities showing notable percentage changes in volume movements during the latest month were: coal, up 35.3%; wheat, up 31.6%; potash, up 25.7%; and copper-nickel ores and concentrates, down 95.0%.

During the first 11 months of 1978, rail freight loadings decreased 4.5% from the January-November 1977 period to 222.8 million short tons (202.1 million t). Receipts from the U.S. increased 0.2%.

Movements of copper-nickel ores and concentrates fell 33.1% in the latest period and iron ore and concentrates decreased by 27.4%. But haulings of pulpwood chips increased 19.5%, iron and steel rose 17.4% and coal was up 8.5%.

For further information, order the November issue of *Railway Carloadings (52-001, 30¢/\$3)*, or for seasonally-adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact Mr. M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

December 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Dec. 29/78 This week	Dec. 22/78 Week ago	Dec. 1/78 Month ago
		1971=100		
Investors Index	131	126.9	124.8	124.2
Industrials	83	121.9	119.5	118.3
Foods	8	128.7	128.0	129.4
Alcoholic beverages	5	110.3	106.1	106.9
Textiles and clothing	3	157.5	160.5	153.4
Pulp and paper	7	190.6	185.8	180.6
Printing and publishing	5	107.2	107.2	108.0
Primary metals	4	130.2	129.1	127.7
Industrial mines	6	86.7	85.2	84.6
Metal fabricating	9	197.0	189.6	186.7
Non-metallic minerals	4	135.4	136.4	133.2
Petroleum	8	131.0	127.2	125.3
Chemicals	5	115.1	115.0	116.9
Construction	4	405.5	395.1	384.6
Trade	15	102.8	102.0	102.9
Utilities and services	28	124.5	122.8	124.3
Transportation	6	183.5	177.4	181.3
Pipelines	5	98.8	98.2	99.6
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	138.0	135.5	134.2
Telephone	4	129.9	129.2	128.3
Electric power	3	153.9	152.8	148.5
Gas distribution	5	90.4	89.6	94.4
Finances	20	155.1	154.5	153.5
Banks	8	158.2	157.9	156.8
Investment and loan	8	138.8	137.8	136.7
Insurance	4	192.0	190.5	191.4
Mining Index	15	142.2	140.3	131.1
Golds	8	290.8	285.7	259.1
Base metals	7	71.0	70.5	69.7
Uraniums	2	236.6	233.2	234.3
Primary oils and gas index	5	173.5	168.9	165.5

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Corporation Financial Statistics, 1976 — Advance Information

Selected financial items and ratios are now available for Canadian corporations for 1976. While the data available are preliminary and incomplete they provide information on the number of corporations, gross sales, and pre-tax profits, as well as selected ratios. Certain aggregations by sales sizes are available and certain industry data.

Further information will be available in *Corporation Financial Statistics, 1976* (catalogue 61-207), but for advance information contact E.A. Hubley (613-996-5980), Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products, August 1978 (errata)

Revisions have been made to index numbers of farm prices of agricultural products for August 1978 for Canada and Nova Scotia (*Daily of January 2, 1979*). The new numbers are as follows:

- Total index: Canada 208.4; Nova Scotia 218.0;
- Crops index: Canada 196.5; Nova Scotia 208.6;
- Livestock index: Canada 215.7; Nova Scotia 219.5.

For further information concerning these series, contact Peter Lys or George Beelen (613-995-4895), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Discontinued Publications

The following three Statistics Canada publications will be discontinued as advised in the *Daily* of November 2, 1978; however, the dates of discontinuance are amended as below:

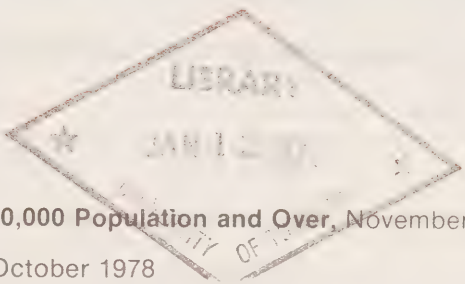
- The final issue of the quarterly report *Quarterly Bulletin of Agriculture Statistics* (catalogue 21-003) will be for the second quarter of 1978.
- The final issue of the monthly report *Dairy Factory Production* (catalogue 32-002) will be in mid-1979 at which time it will be replaced by a new publication.
- The monthly report *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (catalogue 32-009) will be discontinued approximately April 1979 for the poultry section and mid-1979 for the dairy section (some data will continue to be published in catalogues 23-001 and 23-003).

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A Means for Small Business to Measure Performance

A new series of studies which will enable small businesses to measure their performance against that of their field has been launched by the Merchandising and Services Division. The third study, *Operating Results, Independent Retail Hardware Stores (unincorporated) 1976*, is now available.

The report gives mean and median data for key business costs and results as a proportion of net sales, nationally and by region. The categories of information reported: net sales; opening inventory; purchases; closing inventory; cost of goods sold; gross profit; employee salaries and wages; employee benefits; property taxes; rent; business taxes, permits and licences; insurance; interest, exchange and bank charges; depreciation; advertising; repairs and maintenance; legal and auditing fees; office and store supplies; telephone, heat, light and water; delivery, express and freight; travel and entertainment; all other expenses; total, all expenses; and net profit.

Order *Operating Results, Independent Retail Hardware Stores, 1976* (63-605, 70¢ in Canada, 85¢ elsewhere). Further information is available from David Van Luven (613-996-9301), Analysis and Development Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Government Finance — In Accordance with the System of National Accounts, Third Quarter 1978 (68-001, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Consumer Credit, October 1978 (61-004, 30¢/\$3)

Grain Milling Statistics, October 1978 (32-003, 30¢/\$3)

Oils and Fats, October 1978 (32-006, 30¢/\$3)

Footwear Statistics, October 1978 (33-002, 30¢/\$3)

Stoves and Furnaces, October 1978 (41-005, 30¢/\$3)

Housing Starts, in Centres of 10,000 Population and Over (Dwelling Units)

November

	1977					1978				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	42	2	19	147	210	55	14	—	—	69
Prince Edward Island	9	—	—	—	9	19	—	—	12	31
Nova Scotia	158	32	16	177	383	133	15	4	266	418
New Brunswick	83	16	—	31	130	125	—	7	83	215
Quebec	1,624	234	32	2,069	3,959	1,662	404	25	1,238	3,329
Ontario	1,763	916	1,070	2,077	5,826	1,899	676	822	3,613	7,010
Manitoba	207	110	81	164	562	201	58	41	278	578
Saskatchewan	377	32	12	531	952	412	24	4	137	577
Alberta	1,069	248	772	1,288	3,377	1,294	502	559	2,148	4,503
British Columbia	870	114	406	1,224	2,614	983	124	199	114	1,420
Canada Unadjusted	6,202	1,704	2,408	7,708	18,022	6,783	1,817	1,661	7,889	18,150
	multiples					multiples				
Canada, adjusted annual rate (000's)	69.9		134.6		204.5	76.6		129.2		205.8
Canada Cumulative	69,979	15,366	22,439	71,932	179,716	67,857	17,300	16,937	64,550	166,644
Newfoundland	496	102	55	568	1,221	582	111	123	193	1,009
Prince Edward Island	119	8	—	70	197	125	2	—	34	161
Nova Scotia	1,844	150	282	1,739	4,015	1,678	102	87	1,143	3,010
New Brunswick	1,377	59	—	580	2,016	1,383	22	7	428	1,840
Quebec	19,958	1,596	636	21,985	44,175	16,120	2,614	362	15,169	34,265
Ontario	20,233	9,240	12,240	21,203	62,916	18,910	7,920	8,169	22,757	57,756
Manitoba	2,592	729	584	2,699	6,604	2,617	1,367	818	4,796	9,598
Saskatchewan	3,923	268	188	3,235	7,614	3,112	430	20	2,339	5,901
Alberta	9,094	2,009	5,799	9,759	26,661	12,724	3,545	5,448	13,468	35,185
British Columbia	10,343	1,205	2,655	10,094	24,297	10,606	1,187	1,903	4,223	17,919

For further information, order the November issue of *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact J.P. D  lisle (613-995-8213), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Operating Statistics, October 1978 — Advance Information

Canada's six major railways reported combined net income of \$36.3 million in October, up 78.0% from October 1977. Operating revenues rose 16.4% to \$336.6 million while operating expenses increased by 11.8% to \$300.3 million.

Revenue freight ton-miles were up 6.1% in October 1978; freight train-miles rose 2.7%; and freight car-miles increased 6.5%. Average revenue per ton-mile of freight was 2.126 cents compared to 1.951 cents in October 1977. Passenger-miles increased 11.3%.

For the first 10 months of 1978, railway operating revenues increased 9.3% and operating expenses were up 8.6%. Net income rose 20.8% to \$203.5 million.

Cumulative ton-miles showed an increase of 0.6% and passenger-miles increased 8.7%.

For further information, order the October issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. M. Valli  res (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Deaths and Rates

1976 and 1977

	Number		% Change 1977-1976	Rate per 100,000 Population		% Change 1977-1976
	1976	1977		1976	1977	
Canada	167,009	167,819	0.5	7.3	7.2	-1.4
Newfoundland	3,323	3,137	-5.6	6.0	5.6	-6.7
Prince Edward Island	1,095	1,052	-3.9	9.3	8.7	-6.5
Nova Scotia	6,955	6,976	0.3	8.4	8.4	—
New Brunswick	5,202	5,165	-0.7	7.7	7.5	-2.6
Quebec	43,011	43,830*	1.9	6.9	7.0	1.5
Ontario	60,645	61,356	1.2	7.3	7.3	—
Manitoba	8,262	8,176	-1.0	8.1	7.9	-2.5
Saskatchewan	7,809	7,593	-2.8	8.5	8.1	-4.7
Alberta	11,584	11,599	0.1	6.3	6.1	-3.2
British Columbia	18,788	18,630*	-0.8	7.6	7.5	-1.3
Yukon	123	108	-12.2	5.6	5.0	-10.7
Northwest Territories	212	197	-7.1	5.0	4.5	-10.0

* Adjusted for undercount; subject to minor revision.

Deaths, 1977 — Advance Information

The number of deaths of Canadian residents in 1977 totalled 167,819, an increase of 0.5% from the 1976 figure of 167,009. However, the death rate per 1,000 population declined to 7.2 from 7.3 in the previous year. (The final counts and rates may differ marginally from these advance data due to small adjustments.)

Detailed tabulations on deaths will appear in the publication *Vital Statistics, Volume III, Deaths* (catalogue 84-206). For further information, contact Mr. D. Nagnur (613-995-9593), Vital Statistics and Disease Registries Section, Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Heavy Construction General Contractors Industry, 1977

Now available free of charge are two information bulletins for the 1977 reference year, showing selected financial and operational ratios for *Heavy Engineering General Contractors* and *Highway, Road, Street and Bridge General Contractors*.

For copies or additional information concerning these industries, call S. Parent collect at 995-8423, area code 613, or write the Construction Census Section, Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Oil Pipeline Transport, October 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian oil pipe lines received 2,401,354 barrels daily (381 599 m3D) of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in October, an increase of 6.1% from 2,263,100 B/D (359 629 m3D) a year earlier. Receipts of domestic petroleum and products increased 4.2% to 2,104,300 B/D (334 394 m3D), while imported petroleum and products receipts rose 21.5% to 297,000 B/D (47 196 m3D).

For further information, order the October issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Canadian Citizenship Statistics, 1977 (91-205, 70¢)

Gold Quartz and Copper-Gold-Silver Mines, 1976 (26-209, 70¢)

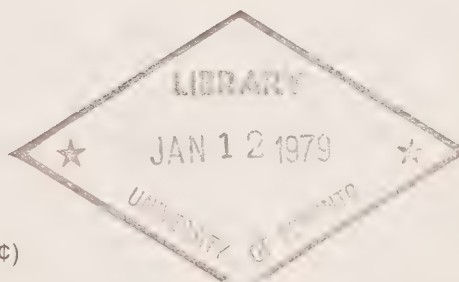
Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles, November 1978 (47-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products, November 1978 (32-022, 15¢/\$1.50)

Bread and Other Bakery Products, Quarter Ended September 30, 1978 (32-015, 35¢/\$1.40)

Service Bulletin:

Culture Statistics (87-001, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 1, No. 8, Selected Leisure Time Activities, February 1978



Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing (1971=100)

	Relative Im- portance(1)	Index			Percent Change		Percent Contribution to Total Change	
		Nov.* 1978	Oct.* 1978	Nov. 1977	Nov. 78 Oct. 78	Nov. 78 Nov. 77	Nov. 78 Oct. 78	Nov. 78 Nov. 77
Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing	100.0	194.7	194.2	177.7	0.3	9.6	100.0	100.0
SIC Major Groups:								
1. Food and Beverage Industries	19.9	213.5	212.8	189.2	0.3	12.8	25.3	28.6
2. Tobacco Products Industries	1.1	149.2	147.5	143.2	1.2	4.2	3.5	0.4
3. Rubber and Plastics Products Industries	2.5	159.2	158.7	151.1	0.3	5.4	2.3	1.2
4. Leather Industries	0.9	201.9	199.6	175.7	1.2	14.9	3.7	1.4
5. Textile Industries	3.5	163.9	162.9	152.9	0.6	7.2	6.4	2.3
6. Knitting Mills	0.9	141.2	141.2	133.9	0.6	6.1	1.5	0.4
8. Wood Industries	4.7	241.3	238.2	196.8	1.3	22.6	26.7	12.5
9. Furniture and Fixture Industries	1.6	188.0	186.3	176.8	0.9	6.3	5.0	1.1
10. Paper and Allied Industries	8.2	212.5	212.0	196.8	0.2	8.0	7.5	7.6
12. Primary Metal Industries	8.4	219.1	219.0	195.0	0.0	12.4	1.5	11.9
13. Metal Fabricating Industries	7.5	191.3	190.6	176.6	0.4	8.3	9.6	6.5
14. Machinery Industries	4.4	172.1	171.7	162.5	0.2	5.9	3.2	2.5
16. Electrical Products Industries	6.8	159.7	159.3	149.4	0.3	6.9	4.9	4.1
17. Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries	3.2	193.6	193.5	179.6	0.1	7.8	0.6	2.6
18. Petroleum and Coal Products Industries	4.2							
19. Chemical and Chemical Products Industries	6.6	192.5	192.5	180.8	0.0	6.5	0.0	4.5
Other Major Groups(2)	15.6	166.1	166.2	152.7	0.0	8.8	-1.6	12.3

* These indexes are preliminary.

(1) Group weights are based on 1971 value of shipments (Census of Manufactures, 1971)

(2) Included are the following major groups: 7. Clothing Industries, 15. Transportation Equipment Industries, 20. Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing (1971=100), November 1978 — Advance Information

The Industry Selling Price Index for manufacturing rose 0.3% to 194.7 in November from its revised October level of 194.2. The index was 9.6% higher than in November 1977 when it stood at 177.7. The major groups having the most impact on the total index in November were wood industries, food and beverage industries and metal fabricating industries.

The wood industries index rose 1.3% due mainly to price increases of 1.3% for sawmills and planing mills, 1.1% for veneer and plywood mills, 1.0% for sash, door and other millwork plants, and 2.0% for manufacturers of prefabricated buildings.

In the food and beverage group, which showed an increase of 0.3% in November, prices of slaughtering and meat processors rose by 0.7%, the bakeries industry by 1.5%, the feed industry by 1.1%, poultry processors by 1.7% and the fish products industry by 0.9%. These increases were partly offset by declines of 6.9% for the cane and beet sugar processors index and 3.7% for vegetable oil mills.

An increase of 0.9% for wire and wire products manufacturers contributed to a rise of 0.4% in the metal fabricating group index.

For further information, contact the Information Unit, Industrial Prices (613-995-5761), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, or order the November issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, 55¢/\$5.50).

Feed Price Indexes, November 1978 — Advance Information

Feed price indexes, Canada and five geographical regions, are now available for November.

For further information, contact the Information Unit (613-995-5761), Industrial Prices Section, Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,664,793,000 square feet (154 666 000 m²) of corrugated boxes and wrappers in November, an increase of 8.9% from 1,527,940,000 square feet (141 950 000 m²) a year earlier.

January to November shipments totalled 17,112,409,000 square feet (1 589 795 000 m²) in 1978 compared to 15,996,958,000 square feet (1 486 166 000 m²) in 1977.

For further information, order the November issue of *Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

November 1978 — Advance Information
(1971 = 100)

	Nov. 1978	Oct. 1978	Nov. 1977	% Change	
				Nov. 78/ Oct. 78	Nov. 78/ Nov. 77
Total Index	198.9	197.0	184.1	1.0	8.0
Materials	185.1	182.3	168.8	1.5	9.7
Steel and Metal Work	192.4	189.7	173.0	1.4	11.2
Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning	171.6	167.3	157.7	2.6	8.8
Electrical Equipment	172.3	166.5	157.5	3.5	9.4
Concrete Products	202.0	203.0	189.0	-0.5	6.9
Lumber and Lumber Products	240.5	238.4	190.9	0.9	26.0
Other	179.3	179.0	169.7	0.2	5.7
Labour	214.1	213.3	201.0	0.4	6.5

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G. John (613-994-5807). Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Union Wage Rate Indexes including selected pay supplements are now available for November 1978.

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

	Oct. 1978	Sept. 1978	Oct. 1977	% Change From	
				Sept. 1978	Oct. 1977
Benefits					
Amount paid (\$000)	289,898	270,459	269,262	7	8
Weeks of benefit (000)	2,630	2,487	2,641	6	—
Average weekly benefit (\$)	110.22	108.75	101.94	1	8
Claims received (000)	244	217	242	13	1
Beneficiaries (000)	608p	588p	634	3	-4

	To Date		% Change From
	1978	1977	1978/1977
Benefits			
Amount paid (\$000)	3,877,061	3,272,884	18
Weeks of benefit (000)	35,512	32,621	9
Average weekly benefit (\$)	109.18	100.33	9
Claims received (000)	2,223	2,171	2
Beneficiaries(1) (000)	816p	748	9

(1) Monthly average

p Preliminary figures

— Amount too small to be expressed.

For further information, order the October 1978 issue of *Preliminary Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001-p) or *Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-001, Quarterly, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact George Fincham (613-992-7461), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Preliminary Report on Unemployment Insurance Statistics, October 1978 — Advance Information

Some 608,000* claimants drew unemployment insurance benefits for the week ending October 14, an increase of 3% from September but 4% fewer than in October 1977. Thirty-six percent of the beneficiaries were under 25 years of age.

Benefits paid in October totalled \$290* million, up 7% from September and up 8% from October 1977. Disbursements for 1978-to-date reached \$3,877 million compared with \$3,273 million in the first 10 months of 1977, a rise of 18%. Of the \$3,877 million, 63% was paid to residents of Quebec and Ontario, 17% to the Atlantic provinces, 12% to British Columbia and 8% to the Prairie provinces.

Claims filed in October by persons applying for benefit numbered 244,000, up 13% from a month earlier and a 1% increase from October 1977. In the first 10 months of 1978 a total of 2,223,000 claims were received, a rise of 2% from the same period in 1977. All areas reported increases ranging from 1% in Ontario to 20% in the Northwest Territories.

* The count of beneficiaries cannot be related to the benefit payments made during a month. Whereas the latter figure covers all benefit payments made during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons receiving benefit for a specific week each month.

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Salt, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian shipments of salt and salt content of brine increased to 726,389 short tons in November from 661,373 short tons a year earlier. This brought the 11-months output to 6,285,086 short tons in 1978 from 5,910,101 short tons in 1977.

For further information, order the November issue of *Salt* (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Architects, 1977 — Advance Information

In 1977, the 1,096 firms in Canada primarily engaged in the provision of architectural services reported gross fees of \$267.1 million from 15 different building classifications.

For further information, contact Mrs. R. Bennett (613-996-9301), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

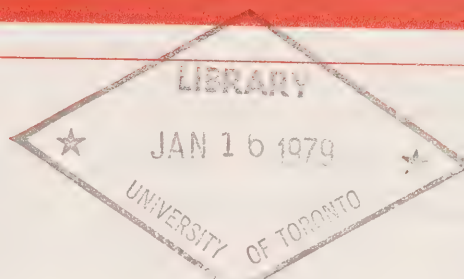
Sales Financing, October 1978 (Errata)

In the December 21, 1978, issue of the *Daily* it was reported that sales finance companies purchased \$2,912.4 million of wholesale finance paper during the third quarter of 1978. This was an error in tabulation — the correct amount was \$1,902.4 million, up 13.0% over the \$1,683.4 million purchased in July-September 1977.

For further information, order the October issue of *Sales Financing* (63-013, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Labour Force Survey Release Dates*

Survey for the month of	Release date	Survey for the month of	Release date
January 1979	February 6, 1979	August 1979	September 11, 1979
February 1979	March 13, 1979	September 1979	October 9, 1979**
March 1979	April 10, 1979	October 1979	November 13, 1979**
April 1979	May 15, 1979	November 1979	December 11, 1979
May 1979	June 12, 1979	December 1979	January 15, 1980
June 1979	July 10, 1979	January 1980	February 12, 1980
July 1979	August 14, 1979		

*All release days are Tuesday.

** News release occurs day after a statutory holiday.

Consumer Price Index Release Dates

Index for the month of	Release date
December 1978	January 18, 1979, Thursday
January 1979	February 19, 1979, Monday
February 1979	March 16, 1979, Friday
March 1979	April 12, 1979, Thursday
April 1979	May 18, 1979, Friday
May 1979	June 15, 1979, Friday
June 1979	July 13, 1979, Friday
July 1979	August 17, 1979, Friday
August 1979	September 14, 1979, Friday
September 1979	October 18, 1979, Thursday
October 1979	November 16, 1979, Friday
November 1979	December 14, 1979, Friday
December 1979	January 22, 1980, Tuesday

Canadian Farm Products Indexes (1971=100), November 1978 — Advance Information

The Canadian Farm Products Index for November for Canada stood at 209.5, an increase of 0.3% from the October level.

For further details, order the November issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Information Unit, Industrial Prices (613-995-5761), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Telephone Statistics, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canada's 13 major telephone systems reported combined revenues of \$405.8 million in November, up 20.3% from a year earlier. Operating expenses increased 14.7% to \$264.0 million. Net operating revenue at \$141.8 million showed an increase of 32.1% over November 1977. Telephone toll messages increased 11.0% to 94.2 million.

For further information, order the November issue of *Telephone Statistics* (56-002, \$1.50 a year), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Asbestos, November 1978 — Advance Information

Producers' shipments of asbestos decreased to 132,490 short tons in November from 140,856 short tons in November 1977. This brought year-to-date shipments to 1,424,783 short tons in 1978 from 1,539,893 in 1977.

For further information, order the November issue of *Asbestos* (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended January 6, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended January 6 was 324,745 short tons (294 604 t), an increase of 7.9% from the preceding week's revised total of 301,027 short tons (273 087 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 285,592 short tons (259 085 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 177.2 in the current week, 164.3 (revised) a week earlier and 155.9 a year earlier.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural)

		1977		1978	
		Year-to-Date	November	Year-to-Date	November
		19	19	20	20
Carriers Reporting					
Passenger Revenue Earned					
Intercity & Rural Services	\$	122,672,186r*	10,095,191r*	129,304,632	10,234,852
Urban-Suburban Services	\$	320,267r	31,345r	310,069	34,066
Other Services (e.g. charter)	\$	19,994,269r	1,034,182r	43,544,779	3,191,873
Fare Passengers Carried					
Intercity & Rural Services	No.	30,145,924r*	2,571,289r*	31,060,080	2,760,212
Urban-Suburban Services	No.	647,011r	57,686	561,767	44,673
Other Services (e.g. charter)	No.	**	**	**	**
Total Distance Run					
Intercity & Rural Services	miles:	111,430,464r*	9,295,675r*	111,091,622	9,395,701
	km:	179 329 948r*	14 959 939r*	178 784 635	15 120 915
Urban-Suburban Services	miles:	303,396r	25,738	353,985	32,498
	km:	488 269r	41 421	569 683	52 301
Other Services (e.g. charter)	miles:	13,212,848r	740,175r	32,187,500	2,381,283
	km:	21 264 018r	1 191 196r	51 800 763	3 832 304
Fuel Consumed					
Diesel Oil	gal.:	18,274,240r	1,475,594r	18,810,253	1,491,605
	litres:	83 076 340r	6 708 183r	85 513 100	6 780 970
Gasoline	gal.:	80,760r	7,063r	3,210,555	329,404
	litres:	367 142r	32 109r	14 595 471	1 497 500

* Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

** The number of fare passengers carried for "Other Services" is not kept by all carriers.

r Revised figures.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity And Rural), November 1978 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily

The accompanying table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available. Figures have been added showing total distance run and fuel consumed, using the International System of Units; this is the most modern version of the metric system, supported by the International Bureau of Weights and Measures and is the system of units which Canada is adopting.

The following observations apply to the data in this release:

- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of over-all charter and contract operations.
- Passengers paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and travelling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only.
- Total distance run in a revenue service includes distance run empty which was necessary to provide the revenue service.

For further information, contact the Chief, Surface Transport Section (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Urban Transit, November 1978 — Advance Information

In November, 55 urban transit systems collected 110,207,174 initial passenger fares. The total distance run was 33,948,882 miles (54 635 430 km), and operating revenues amounted to \$40,630,716.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6 or order the November issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50).

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending December 21, 1978

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,540,156	2,411,414	4,951,570
Short tons, 1977	2,401,801	1,913,939	4,315,740
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 304 391	2 187 598	4 491 989
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 178 877	1 736 296	3 915 173
% change	5.8	26.0	14.7
Cars, 1978	39,614	35,364	74,978
Cars, 1977	38,399	29,863	68,262
% change	3.2	18.4	9.8
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	176,600	73,012	249,612
Short tons, 1977	176,539	58,501	235,040
Metric tonnes, 1978	160 209	66 235	226 444
Metric tonnes, 1977	160 153	53 071	213 224
% change	—	24.8	6.2
Cars, 1978	5,077	2,579	7,656
Cars, 1977	5,287	2,458	7,745
% change	-4.0	4.9	-1.1
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	120,411,473	116,189,357	236,600,830
Short tons, 1977	134,878,556	110,086,931	244,965,487
Metric tonnes, 1978	109 235 451	105 405 212	214 640 663
Metric tonnes, 1977	122 359 768	99 869 184	222 228 952
% change	-10.7	5.5	-3.4
Cars, 1978	1,946,095	1,724,948	3,671,043
Cars, 1977	2,117,122	1,669,888	3,787,010
% change	-8.1	3.3	-3.1
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	8,312,506	3,140,963	11,453,469
Short tons, 1977	8,117,333	2,842,857	10,960,190
Metric tonnes, 1978	7 540 979	2 849 434	10 390 413
Metric tonnes, 1977	7 363 921	2 578 996	9 942 917
% change	2.4	10.5	4.5
Cars, 1978	251,922	122,447	374,369
Cars, 1977	247,688	123,180	370,868
% change	1.7	-0.6	0.9

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1977 figures have been revised — 1978 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ending December 21, 1978 — Published Only in the Daily

Loadings of revenue freight by railways in Canada totalled 4.5 million t (5.0 million short tons) in the above-noted period, an increase of 14.7% from the corresponding seven days in 1977. Tonnage increased by 5.8% in the East and 26.0% in the West.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments (included above) rose 24.8% in the West while remaining unchanged in the East, to register an over-all increase of 6.2%.

In the period January 1 to December 21, 1978, freight loaded by rail in Canada aggregated 214.6 million t (236.6 million short tons), 3.4% below the same period in 1977. Loadings in the East were down 10.7%, while

Western loadings showed a gain of 5.5%. Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic was 4.5% above the 1977 level.

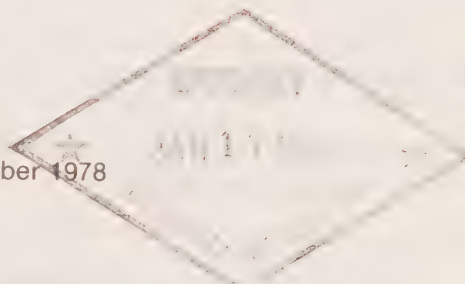
For further information, contact Mr. M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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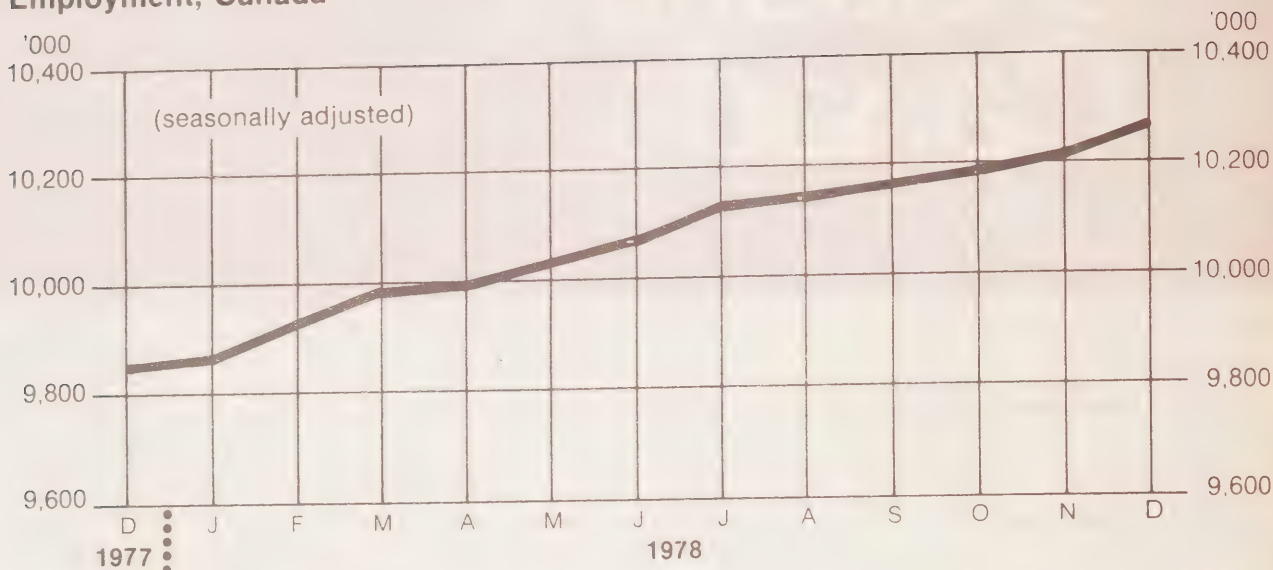
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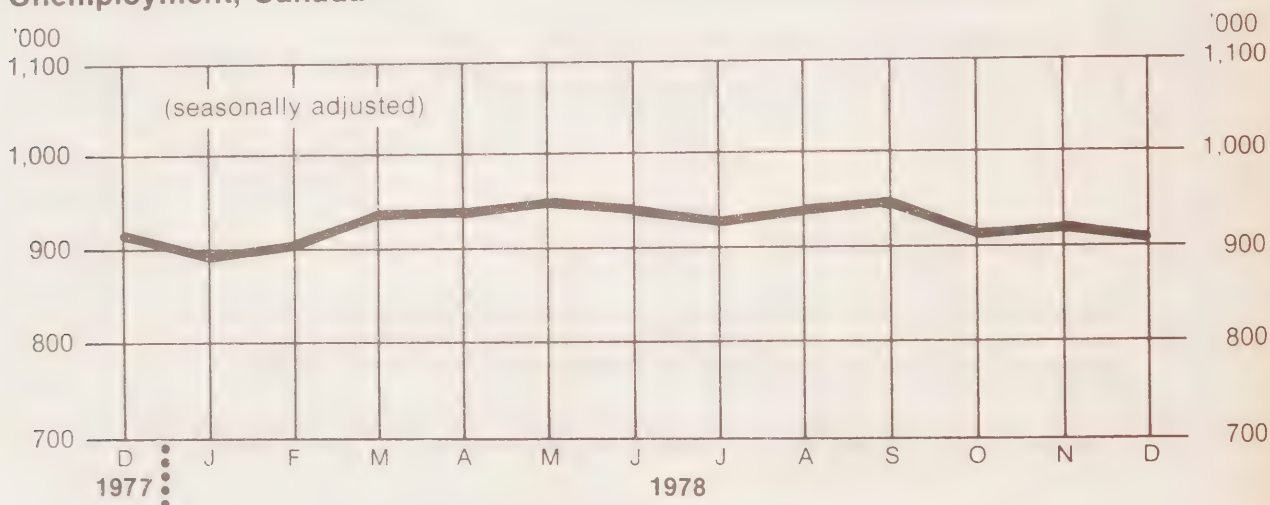
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Hardboard, November 1978 (36-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Employment, Canada



Unemployment, Canada



The Labour Force, December 1978

Employment increased in December while unemployment declined, and Canada's seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate decreased to 8.1% from 8.3% in November. The rate in December 1977 was 8.5%. The seasonally-adjusted participation rate was 63.0% in December, up from 62.8% in the preceding month. The employment/population ratio reached a new high at 57.9%, up from 57.6% in November.

Last month, the seasonally-adjusted employment level reached 10,271,000, up by 58,000 from the month before. The level increased by 17,000 for men aged 15 to 24, while it showed little change for women of the same age group. For both men and women 25 and over, the level increased by 22,000.

Unemployment, seasonally adjusted, totalled 908,000 in December, down by 11,000 from November. The level declined by 4,000 for men 15-24 and by 9,000 for men 25 and over. For women of both age groups, there was little or no change.

Seasonally-adjusted December unemployment rates for the provinces, with November rates in brackets: Newfoundland 17.4% (16.5%); Prince Edward Island 11.2% (11.1%); Nova Scotia 10.5% (10.5%); New Brunswick 11.6% (11.9%); Quebec 10.5% (10.4%); Ontario 6.9% (7.3%); Manitoba 5.8% (6.4%); Saskatchewan 4.8% (4.6%); Alberta 4.1% (4.5%); and British Columbia 9.1% (8.5%).

Without seasonal adjustment, the December labour force was 11,011,000 with 10,140,000 employed and 870,000 unemployed for an unemployment rate of 7.9%. In November, the labour force was 11,050,000 with 10,201,000 employed and 850,000 unemployed for a rate of 7.7%. In December 1977, the labour force numbered 10,612,000 with 9,729,000 employed and 882,000 unemployed for a rate of 8.3%.

For further information, order the December issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

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New Motor Vehicle Sales, November 1978 — Advance Information

New motor vehicles sold in November totalled 95,948 units, down 10.6% from a year earlier. This included 58,152 passenger cars (down 9.7%) and 26,766 commercial vehicles (down 1.1%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S., and 10,159 passenger cars (down 30.7%) and 871 commercial vehicles (down 26.1%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value increased 3.4% to \$727.9 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$398.3 million (down 1.9%) and commercial vehicles for \$255.0 million (up 17.3%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas decreased 7.8% to \$69.0 million and those of commercial vehicles decreased 8.4% to \$5.6 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 227 units of coaches and buses valued at \$6.6 million.

Seasonally-adjusted November sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. decreased 11.5% from October to 57,467 units and those of passenger cars from overseas decreased 1.9% to 11,195 units. Similarly-adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were down 10.7% to 29,542 units.

For the first 11 months of 1978, total sales reached 1,292,446 units (1,265,191 in 1977), with an accumulated value of \$9,067.4 million. This represented an increase of 13.3% in value over sales for January-November 1977.

For further information, order the November issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact M. Kwilecki (613-996-9304), Retail Trade Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Department Store Sales by Regions, November 1978

Department store sales rose to \$831.4 million in November, an increase of 10.6% from a year earlier. Sales were up in all regions of Canada.

Department store sales by regions for the latest month, with percentage increases from November 1977 in brackets:

- Ontario, \$306.4 million (9.2%).
- Quebec, \$157.0 million (19.0%).
- British Columbia, \$129.8 million (6.9%).
- Alberta, \$111.9 million (8.1%).
- Atlantic Provinces, \$56.3 million (13.4%).
- Manitoba, \$44.9 million (3.2%).
- Saskatchewan, \$25.2 million (17.4%).

For further information, order the November issue of *Department Store Sales by Regions* (63-004, \$1.50 a year).

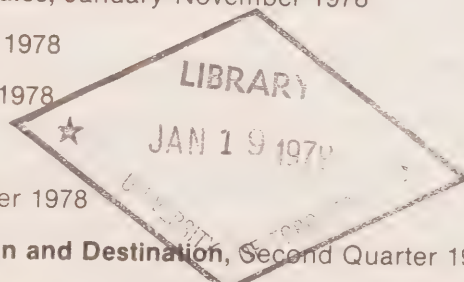


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Air Carrier Operations in Canada, January-March 1978 (51-002, \$1.40/\$5.60)

Shipping Statistics, September 1978 (54-002, 30¢/\$3)

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Shipments of Prepared Stock and Poultry Feeds, October 1978 (32-004, 40¢/\$4)

Quarterly Shipments of Office Furniture Products, Quarter Ended September 30, 1978 (35-006, 35¢/\$1.40)

Output Price Indexes of Non-residential Construction (Selected Buildings)

Model No. 3 — Secondary School
Fourth Quarter 1978 — Advance Information
(Mid-1976=100)

	4th Qtr. 1977	4th Qtr. 1978	% Change 4th Qtr. 1978/ 4th Qtr. 1977
Montreal	107.3	109.2	1.8
Ottawa	105.4	108.8	3.2
Toronto	106.6	113.6	6.6
Vancouver	107.8	117.5	9.0
Four City Composite	106.8	112.3	5.1

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. D.S. Seymour (613-995-5758), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Canada-U.S.A. Air Passenger Origin and Destination, Second Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

Canada-U.S.A. Air Passenger Origin and Destination data are now available for the second quarter of 1978.

For further information, contact Mrs. J.C. Tessier (819-997-1986), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January-November 1978 — Advance Information

Sales of farm implements and equipment (including repair parts) for January to November 1978 were valued at \$1,402.5 million, an increase of 13.7% over the January to November 1977 total of \$1,233.8 million.

Repair parts for the latest period had a value of \$183.2 million compared with \$155.9 million in 1977.

For further information, order the November issue of *Farm Implement and Equipment Sales* (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact the Merchandising and Services Division (613-996-9307), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Electric Power Statistics, October 1978 — Advance Information

In October, net generation increased to 27.6TW.h from 26.6TW.h in October 1977. Hydro generation increased 2.2% and thermal production rose 8.1%.

Total generation for the first 10 months of 1978 was 272.6TW.h, an increase of 6.4% from the January-October 1977 period.

For further information, order the October issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, December 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the month of December was 1,447,409 short tons (1 313 067 t). Pig iron production was 1,004,447 short tons (911 219 t).

For further information, order the December issue of *Steel Ingots and Pig Iron* (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V3.

Coal and Coke Statistics, October 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian coal production increased 16.7% to 2,881,749 tons (2 614 279 metric tonnes) in October from 2,469,322 tons (2 240 131 metric tonnes) a year earlier. Year-to-date production was 27,340,394 tons (24 802 788 metric tonnes), an increase of 5.1% from January-October 1977. Imports decreased to 1,912,653 tons (1 735 130 metric tonnes) in October from 2,294,289 tons (2 081 344 metric tonnes).

Industrial consumers used 2,208,071 tons (2 003 128 metric tonnes) of coal in the latest month, up 234,305 tons (212 558 metric tonnes) from October 1977 and 490,438 tons (444 918 metric tonnes) of coke, up 14,979 tons (13 589 metric tonnes).

For further information, order the October issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Sugar Sales, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian sugar refineries reported total sales of 79 385 835 kilograms (175,015,836 lbs.) of all types of sugar for December. Domestic sales totalled 67 791 598 kilograms (149,454,915 lbs.) while export sales amounted to 11 594 237 kilograms (25,560,921 lbs.).

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Census Monograph Available

Released today is the monograph, *The Frequency of Geographical Mobility in the Population of Canada*, by Leroy O. Stone (catalogue 99-751, \$1.40), the first of a Census series to be published concerning a variety of aspects of Canadian life, including income, language use, farming, family composition, migration, adjustment of immigrants, human fertility, labour force participation, housing, commuting and population distribution.

The purpose of these studies is to provide a broad analysis of social and economic phenomena in Canada. The studies concentrate on the results of the Census, but they are supplemented by data from several other sources and are written in such a way that their main conclusions and supporting discussion can be understood by a general audience of concerned citizens and officials, who often lack the resources needed to interpret and digest the rows of numbers that appear in census statistical bulletins.

Among the subjects explored in this study are how many Canadians move home, what the patterns of migration are, which groups move most, how much moving there is just between municipalities, how often immigrants move within Canada, what factors cause people to move, and what are the differences in rates of migration between Canadians and citizens of other countries.

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The Labour Force, December 1978 (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50)

The Frequency of Geographic Mobility in the Population of Canada, by Leroy O. Stone (99-751E, \$1.40)

National Income and Expenditure Accounts, Third Quarter 1978 (13-001, \$1.40/\$5.60)

Census Tracts: Population and Housing Characteristics, Trois-Rivières, 1976 Census of Canada (95-827, \$1.50)

Quarterly Bulletin of Agricultural Statistics, January-March 1978 (21-003, \$1.40/\$5.60)

Silver-Cobalt Mines and Silver-Lead-Zinc Mines, 1976 (26-216, 70¢)

Quarterly Estimates of Trusteed Pension Funds, 3rd Quarter 1978 (74-001, 35¢/\$1.40)

Soaps and Synthetic Detergents, October 1978 (46-003, 30¢/\$3)

Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, October 1978 (32-011, 30¢/\$3)

Service Bulletin:

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 7, No. 1, Pack of Processed Asparagus, 1978

Wholesale Price Indexes

(1935-39=100)

	Nov. 1978*	Oct. 1978*	Nov. 1977	Oct. 1977	% Change	
					Nov. 78/ Oct. 78	Nov. 78/ Nov. 77
General wholesale index	637.9	635.0	572.2	567.0	0.5	11.5
Vegetable products	516.8	516.6	497.1	487.4	0.0	4.0
Animal products	721.5	716.5	597.9	587.9	0.7	20.7
Textile products	520.3	514.8	471.6	472.2	1.1	0.8
Wood products	941.1	934.9	821.2	821.2	0.7	14.6
Iron products	670.7	666.7	612.4	604.3	0.6	9.5
Non-ferrous metals including gold	576.7	576.4	502.4	498.8	0.1	14.8
Non-metallic minerals	513.0	513.3	493.6	492.7	-0.1	3.9
Chemical products	445.0	444.2	410.0	412.8	0.2	8.5
Summary indexes						
Iron products and non-ferrous metals excluding gold	743.8	738.1	664.2	657.6	0.8	12.0
Raw and partly manufactured goods	593.1	589.1	530.7	521.1	0.7	11.8
Fully and chiefly manufactured goods	661.4	659.2	593.9	591.0	0.3	11.4

* These indexes are preliminary.

General Wholesale Price Index (1935-39=100), November 1978 — Advance Information

The General Wholesale Index rose 0.5% to 637.9 in November from its revised October level of 635.0. The index was 11.5% higher than in November 1977 when it stood at 572.2. The major groups having the most impact on the total index in November were wood products, animal products, iron products and textile products.

The wood products index rose 0.7% due mainly to price increases of 2.5% for fir and 2.9% for cedar. Newsprint and wrapping paper registered a decrease of 0.3%.

An increase of 0.7% for animal products was attributable mainly to increases of 2.6% for fish and 1.2% for livestock. The fresh meats index declined by 0.7%.

Contributing to a rise of 0.6% in the iron products index were price increases of 4.0% for scrap iron and steel, and 0.6% for castings and forgings.

The textile products index rose 1.1% due in part to increases of 2.2% for raw cotton and 2.9% for worsted yarn.

For further information, order the November issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Information Unit, Industrial Prices (613-995-5761), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5. It should be noted that effective January 29, 1979, the information telephone numbers will be 1-613-995-5738 and 1-613-995-5739.

Help-wanted Index, Canada and Regions, 1972 to 1978Seasonally Adjusted
(1969=100)

Year	QI	QII	QIII	QIV	Annual Average	QI	QII	QIII	QIV	Annual Average
Canada						Atlantic Provinces				
1972	106	111	119	125	115	85	97	102	132	104
1973	130	137	157	171	149	122	124	138	165	137
1974	192	208	212	183	199	217	229	235	264	236
1975	161	165	168	160	164	215	217	248	162	211
1976	169	149	155	156	157	133	132	149	131	136
1977	160	149	148	153	153	172	170	129	136	152
1978	163	152	158	188	165	131	135	124	167	139
Quebec						Ontario				
1972	109	112	117	116	114	105	111	122	128	117
1973	128	126	152	156	140	132	139	159	165	149
1974	181	213	214	205	203	175	182	181	143	170
1975	181	193	220	207	200	121	119	114	108	116
1976	210	186	193	190	195	116	100	103	103	106
1977	193	180	186	198	189	110	105	98	103	104
1978	216	188	198	220	206	104	106	105	138	113
Prairie Provinces						British Columbia				
1972	108	115	122	139	121	105	106	118	122	113
1973	129	143	155	197	156	133	159	176	199	167
1974	217	235	253	216	230	226	234	243	182	221
1975	194	210	188	193	196	155	153	149	151	152
1976	211	197	214	227	212	165	138	142	149	149
1977	212	192	199	190	198	149	144	148	146	147
1978	212	201	228	270	228	135	144	147	164	147

Help-wanted Index, Fourth Quarter 1978 — Published only in the *Daily and Infomat*

In the fourth quarter of 1978, the seasonally-adjusted help-wanted index (1969=100) advanced to 188, an increase of 19% from the previous quarter and up 23% from the fourth quarter of 1977.

The annual index for 1978 reached 165, up 8% from the preceding year. The annual index for the Prairie provinces rose by 15%, Ontario and Quebec by 9%, while British Columbia remained unchanged and the Atlantic provinces index dropped by 8%.

For further information, contact George Fincham (613-992-7461), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Fruit and Vegetable Production, January 1979 — Advance Information

Highlighting the January publication (the last issue of the season) are 1978 results for most provinces of the survey on area, production and value of processing vegetables. Featured as well are graphs on Canadian blueberry, raspberry and strawberry production and farm value from 1967-1977.

Also in this month's publication is a supplement providing a complete summary of 1978 growing conditions for each growing region. Some final fruit production data are included.

For further information on acreage, production and value of fruits and vegetables, order *Fruit and*

Vegetable Production (22-003, 40¢/\$3), or contact L.A. Murphy (613-995-4877), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Motor Vehicle Production, November 1978 — Advance Information

Production of passenger cars totalled 104,452 units in November compared to 106,744 in November 1977. All commercial vehicles totalled 70,422 units compared to 64,439.

For further information order the October issue of *Motor Vehicle Shipments* (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, November 1978 — Advance Information

Packers, dealers and tanners held 183,209 cattle hides in November, down from 229,552 a year earlier. Cattle hide receipts increased to 226,169 from 185,693 and wettings increased to 215,948 from 183,982.

For further information, order the November issue of *Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather* (33-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

10-day Period Ended December 31, 1978

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,656,399	1,890,008	4,546,407
Short tons, 1977	3,174,639	1,807,019	4,981,658
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 409 845	1 714 586	4 124 431
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 879 984	1 639 300	4 519 284
% change	-16.3	4.6	-8.7
Cars, 1978	38,180	26,926	65,106
Cars, 1977	41,981	26,966	68,947
% change	-9.0	-0.1	-5.6
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	153,120	54,120	207,240
Short tons, 1977	187,133	59,577	246,710
Metric tonnes, 1978	138 908	49 097	188 005
Metric tonnes, 1977	169 764	54 047	223 811
% change	-18.2	-9.2	-16.0
Cars, 1978	4,369	2,046	6,415
Cars, 1977	5,434	2,472	7,906
% change	-19.6	-17.2	-18.9
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	123,067,534	118,079,365	241,146,899
Short tons, 1977	138,053,195	111,893,950	249,947,145
Metric tonnes, 1978	111 644 989	107 119 798	218 764 787
Metric tonnes, 1977	125 239 752	101 508 484	226 748 236
% change	-10.9	5.5	-3.5
Cars, 1978	1,984,272	1,751,874	3,736,146
Cars, 1977	2,159,103	1,696,854	3,855,957
% change	-8.1	3.2	-3.1
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	8,465,626	3,195,083	11,660,709
Short tons, 1977	8,304,466	2,902,434	11,206,900
Metric tonnes, 1978	7 679 887	2 898 530	10 578 417
Metric tonnes, 1977	7 533 685	2 633 044	10 166 729
% change	1.9	10.1	4.0
Cars, 1978	256,291	124,493	380,784
Cars, 1977	253,122	125,652	378,774
% change	1.2	-0.9	0.5

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1977 figures have been revised.

Railway Carloadings, 10 Days Ended December 31, 1978 — Published Only in the Daily

Loadings of revenue freight by railways in Canada totalled 4.1 million t (4.5 million short tons) in the above-noted period, a decrease of 8.7% from the corresponding 10 days in 1977. Tonnage in the East decreased 16.3%, while in the West shipments were up 4.6%.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments (included above) fell 18.2% in the East and 9.2% in the West to register an over-all decrease of 16.0%.

Rail freight loadings in the year 1978 aggregated 218.8 million t (241.1 million short tons), 3.5% below the 1977 total. Loadings in the East were down 10.9%, while Western loadings showed a gain of 5.5%. The number of cars loaded at 3.7 million trailed the previous year by 3.1%. Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) tonnage rose 4.0% and cars were 0.5% above the 1977 level.

For further information, contact Mr. M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 10,401,286 phonograph records in November, down from 11,056,317 in November 1977. Production of pre-recorded tapes (8-track cartridges and cassettes only) increased to 2,761,174 from 2,410,672.

For further information, order the November issue of *Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada* (47-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory Services staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island by telephoning 1-800-565-7192. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, January 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of frozen poultry products at January 1 amounted to 61.2 million pounds compared with last year's corresponding total of 71.2 million pounds.

For further information, order the January issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Iron Ore, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian mines shipped 6,576,889 short tons of iron ore in November compared to 6,466,138 short tons a year earlier. Output for the first 11 months of 1978 at 41,915,111 short tons was down from 54,429,779 short tons in the January-November 1977 period.

For further information, order the November issue of *Iron Ore* (26-005, 15¢ \$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Labour Force Activity: Labour Force Mobility, Census Metropolitan Areas, 1976
Census of Canada (94-808, \$2.25)

Supplementary Bulletins: Geographic and Demographic, Mobility Status and General Population Characteristics, 1976 Census of Canada (92-834, \$4.25)

Electric Lamps, November 1978 (43-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January 1 to October 31, 1978 (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Oil Burners and Oil-Fired Hot Water Heaters, November 1978 (41-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Salt, November 1978 (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Railway Transport (52-004, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 8, No. 10, Railway Carloadings, November 1978; Railway Operating Statistics, October 1978

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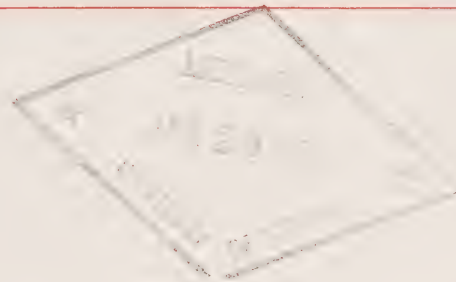
Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, November 1978 — Advance Information

Producers' trade and industrial sales of paints, varnishes and lacquers totalled \$38,668,815 in November, up from \$33,910,949 in November 1977.

For further information, order the November issue of *Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers* (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Exports by Commodities, October 1978 (65-004, 80¢/\$8)

Retail Trade, November 1978 — Advance Information
Seasonally-adjusted retail sales for November were \$5,865.9 million, a decrease of 0.8% from the \$5,916.0 million recorded in October. Sales advanced in 19 of the 28 trade groups. The largest gains were posted by variety stores (8.6%), family clothing stores (7.8%) and automotive parts and accessories stores (6.5%). The most notable decreases were for motor vehicle dealers (-7.2%), household furniture stores (-4.1%) and household appliance stores (-4.1%). Seven provinces recorded increased sales ranging from a 15.3% gain for Prince Edward Island to a fractional increase for British Columbia. Lower sales were reported in Ontario (-4.3%), Nova Scotia (-1.4%) and Newfoundland (-0.8%).

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment reached \$6,233.8 million, an increase of 11.3% over November 1977. Sales were up in all 28 trade groups with used car dealers (32.8%), garages (21.9%) and automotive parts and accessories stores (20.6%) showing the largest gains. All provinces had increased sales over November 1977 ranging from 17.6% for Prince Edward Island to 3.5% for Manitoba. Montreal sales rose 13.9%; Toronto 8.4%; Winnipeg 0.8%; and Vancouver 11.0%.

Revised total retail trade, unadjusted for seasonal influences, for October 1978 was \$5,905.4 million, up 11.4% from October 1977.

For further information, order the November issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Industrial, Interior and Graphic Designers, 1977 — Advance Information

In 1977 there were 292 firms operating in Canada whose primary source of revenue was either the provision of industrial design services, interior design services or graphic design services. The three groups reported combined gross fees of \$44.6 million and personnel numbered 1,335 including 827 professionals and 508 technicians.

For further information, contact Mrs. R. Bennett (613-996-9301), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended January 13, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended January 13 was 344,369 short tons (312 406 t), an increase of 6.0% from the preceding week's total of 324,745 short tons (294 604 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 296,348 short tons (268 842 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 187.9 in the current week, 177.2 a week earlier and 161.7 a year earlier.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Farm Cash Receipts, January-November 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates indicate that during the January to November period of 1978 farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland totalled \$10,921.4 million compared to \$9,404.3 million realized during the same period of 1977. These estimates include: cash receipts from the sale of farm products; Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous years' grain crops; cash advances on farm-stored grains in Western Canada; and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No deduction is made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

For further information, order the November issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Peter Lys (613-995-4895), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Total Cash Receipts from Farming Operations

January-November
(millions of dollars)

	1977	1978
Prince Edward Island	82.2	86.5
Nova Scotia	116.0	131.4
New Brunswick	100.8	106.3
Quebec	1,307.9	1,505.8
Ontario	2,604.8	3,053.2
Manitoba	829.5	1,037.8
Saskatchewan	2,047.0	2,352.8
Alberta	1,856.3	2,142.2
British Columbia	459.8	505.4
Canada	9,404.3	10,921.4

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Note to Users of Labour Force Data

Effective today, revised data for the Labour Force Survey based on the 1976 Census projections are available by contacting the Labour Force Survey Division (613-992-9543 or 613-996-4214), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

The following two publications which contain these data are expected to be released about the end of January 1979: *Historical Labour Force Statistics* (catalogue 71-201) and *Labour Force Annual Averages 1975-1978* (catalogue 71-529).

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

The Consumer Price Index, December 1978 (62-001, 30¢/\$3) — Available Thursday, January 18, 1979 at 7 a.m.

Financial Institutions, Financial Statistics, Third Quarter 1978 (61-006, \$1.40/\$5.60)

Sales Financing, October 1978 (63-013, 30¢/\$3)

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Transcontinental and Regional Air Carrier Operations, June 1978 (51-001, 40¢/\$4)

Railway Carloadings, November 1978 (52-001, 30¢/\$3)

International Travel, November 1978 (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, November 1978 (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Asbestos, November 1978 (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Preliminary Monthly Report of Petroleum Sales

November 1978

(Thousands of Barrels)

	Motor Gasoline	Aviation Turbo Fuel	Kerosene and Stove Oil	Diesel Fuel	Light Fuel	Heavy Fuel	Other Products	Total Products
Newfoundland	347	122	90	260	319	491	14	1,643
Prince Edward Island	97	2	20	23	91	66	18	317
Nova Scotia	641	53	94	300	614	1,144	114	2,960
New Brunswick	590	26	70	203	469	1,136	123	2,617
Quebec	4,708	421	371	1,442	4,137	4,354	1,452	16,885
Ontario	6,888	549	259	1,801	2,855	2,542	2,777	17,671
Manitoba	915	109	102	448	151	71	85	1,881
Saskatchewan	1,079	43	163	461	158	4	129	2,037
Alberta	2,465	277	78	1,163	98	4	652	4,737
British Columbia	2,284	225	125	1,174	692	652	383	5,535
Northwest Territories	12	28	13	-14	30	—	4	73
Yukon	24	4	20	28	25	—	3	104
Canada	20,050	1,859	1,405	7,289	9,639	10,464	5,754	56,460
Canada 1977	18,867	1,796	1,258	6,922	7,814	9,116	5,832	51,605
% change 1978/1977	6.3	3.5	11.7	5.3	23.4	14.8	-13.0	9.4

Refined Petroleum Products, November 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary data for November show that net sales of all refined petroleum products amounted to 56,460,000 barrels, an increase of 9.4% over the November 1977 total of 51,605,000 barrels.

Canadian refineries produced 59,900,000 barrels of refined petroleum products in November, up 4.5% from 57,304,000 barrels a year earlier.

For further information, order the November issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, 40¢/\$4), or contact G.R. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Department Store Sales and Stocks, November 1978 — Advance Information

Department store sales rose to \$831.4 million in November, an increase of 10.6% from the \$751.9 million recorded in November 1977. Sales rose in 36 of the 40 departments with the largest increases shown by women's and misses' coats and suits (29.3%), stationery, books and magazines (20.4%) and china and glassware (18.4%). All provinces had sales increases from a year earlier ranging from 19.0% for Quebec to 3.2% for Manitoba. In metropolitan areas, Montreal sales totalled \$99.7 million, up 23.3%; Toronto, \$125.2 million, up 10.0%; Winnipeg, \$41.4 million, up 3.3%; and Vancouver, \$79.5 million, up 5.0%.

Inventories held in November were valued at \$2,389.9 million (at selling price), an increase of 9.1% over November 1977. Stocks were higher in 34 departments with the largest increases reported by women's and girls' gloves, mitts and accessories (28.7%) and TV, radio and music (24.6%).

For further information, order the November issue of *Department Stores Sales and Stocks* (63-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Footwear Statistics, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian production of footwear of all types increased to 4,040,070 pairs in November from 3,444,647 pairs in November 1977.

For further information, order the November issue of *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Oils and Fats — Manufacturers' Sales

November 1978 — Advance Information

	Margarine	Shortening*	Salad Oils	Margarine	Shortening*	Salad Oils
	thousands of pounds			metric tonnes		
Retail (20 lbs. (9.072 kg) or less)						
1978	27,896	5,676	5,831	12 653	2 575	2 645
1977	26,752	6,300	6,432	12 134	2 858	2 918
Commercial (21-450 lbs. (9.525-204.117 kg))						
1978	1,679	13,541	2,462	762	6 142	1 117
1977	2,066	13,436	1,661	937	6 094	754
Bulk						
To packagers or bottlers						
1978	15,546	3,954	7,734	7 052	1 794	3 508
1977	16,735	2,907	8,445	7 591	1 318	3 831
To other than packagers or bottlers						
1978	—	14,234	3,684	—	6 456	1 671
1977	—	12,419	x	—	5 633	x

* Includes baking and frying oils and fats.

x Confidential to meet secrecy requirements of the Statistics Act.

For further information, order the November issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.**Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, October 1978 — Advance Information**

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 1,098.7 million feet board measure (2 592 600 m³) of lumber and ties in October, up from 1,045.0 million feet board measure (2 465 900 m³) a year earlier.

January to October production increased to 10,517.1 million feet board measure (24 817 600 m³) in 1978 from 10,121.6 million feet board measure (23 884 300 m³) in 1977.

For further information, order the October issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production of Eggs and Poultry, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian egg production decreased by 1.5% to 36.3 million dozen in November from 36.9 million dozen a year earlier. The average number of layers was down 2.5% to 23.1 million from 23.7 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased 1.1% to 1,886 from 1,866.

For further information, order the November issue of *Production of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4853), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Particle Board, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian firms produced 68,432,000 square feet (6 357 000 m²) 5/8" (15.9 mm.) basis of particle board in November compared to a revised 58,135,000 square feet (5 401 000 m²) in November 1977, an increase of 17.7%.

For further information, order the November issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

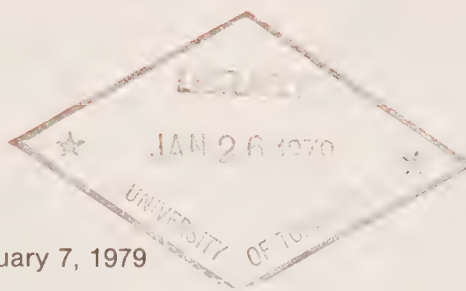
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Financial Statistics of Universities and Colleges

Preliminary data are now available on financial statistics of Canadian universities and colleges for 1977-78. For information, contact Carole D. Séguin (613-995-1105), Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Summary of External Trade, November 1978 (65-001, 40¢/\$4)

Federal Government Employment, July-September 1978 (72-004, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Provincial Government Employment, July-September 1978 (72-007, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Principal Vital Statistics by Local Areas, 1975 (84-207, \$1.40)

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, September 1978 (26-006, 30¢/\$3)

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January 1 to November 30, 1978 (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Motor Vehicle Shipments, November 1978 (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, December 1978 (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Builders and Shelf Hardware, November 1978 (41-014, 15¢/\$1.50)

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending January 7, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	1,761,097	1,454,432	3,215,529
Short tons, 1978	1,782,765	1,309,123	3,091,888
Metric tonnes, 1979	1 597 640	1 319 438	2 917 078
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 617 297	1 187 616	2 804 913
% change	-1.2	11.1	4.0
Cars, 1979	26,898	21,303	48,201
Cars, 1978	27,596	20,015	47,611
% change	-2.5	6.4	1.2
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	107,754	44,076	151,830
Short tons, 1978	111,931	37,845	149,776
Metric tonnes, 1979	97 753	39 985	137 738
Metric tonnes, 1978	101 542	34 332	135 874
% change	-3.7	16.5	1.4
Cars, 1979	3,304	1,689	4,993
Cars, 1978	3,310	1,562	4,872
% change	-0.2	8.1	2.5

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended January 7, 1979 — Published Only in the Statistics Canada Daily

Twenty-three common carrier railways operating in Canada loaded 2.9 million t (3.2 million short tons) of revenue freight in the first week of 1979, an increase of 4.0% over the corresponding 1978 period. In the latest seven days loadings east of the Lakehead declined 1.2%, while in the West rail freight volume rose by 11.1%.

The total number of railway cars loaded in Canada was up 1.2% to 48,201 and the average weight per car increased 2.7%.

Trailer-container (piggyback) traffic registered a 1.4% tonnage gain over the year-earlier period.

For further information, contact Mr. M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Wholesale Trade, November 1978 — Advance Information

Wholesale merchants' sales for November were estimated at \$5,712,156,000, up 17.3% from \$4,870,644,000 in November 1977.

Wholesale inventories were valued at \$8,510,944,000, an increase of 13.6% from stocks of \$7,493,475,000 on hand at the end of November 1977.

For further information, order the November issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Industrial Chemicals, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 106,335,361 pounds (48 232 908 kg) of polyethylene-type synthetic resins in November, almost double the 56,431,867 pounds (25 597 064 kg) shipped a year earlier.

For further information, order the November issue of *Specified Chemicals* (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of automatic washing machines were 31,107 units in November, up from 31,033 in November 1977. Canadian sales of electric clothes dryers decreased to 29,308 units from 30,595 a year earlier.

For further information, order the November issue of *Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers* (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory Services staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island by telephoning 1-800-565-7192. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of refrigerators edged up to 42,189 in November from 42,106 a year earlier, while month-end stocks declined to 79,335 units from 81,882. Domestic sales of home and farm freezers increased to 23,831 from 21,327, while month-end stocks decreased to 27,782 from 28,075.

For further information, order the November issue of *Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers* (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian production of rubber increased to 53,092,000 pounds (24 082 000 kg) in November from 46,844,000 pounds (21 248 000 kg) in November 1977. Consumption of rubber decreased to 63,973,000 pounds (29 018 000 kg) from 64,001,000 pounds (29 029 000 kg) a year earlier.

For further information, order the November issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6

Airport Activity, April 1978 — Advance Information

Airport activity statistics for the top 50 airports in Canada are now available for the month of April 1978.

Total scheduled enplaned plus deplaned passenger statistics for Toronto International, Montreal (Dorval) International and Mirabel International are shown in the accompanying table.

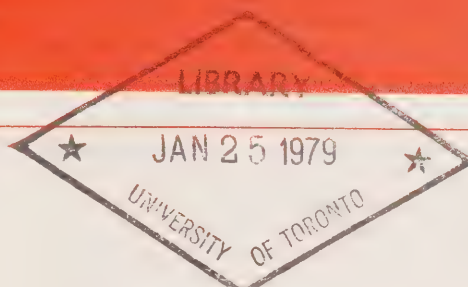
The complete airport tables and further information may be obtained by contacting Mr. L. J. Surch (819-997-1385), Airport Activity Survey, Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Airport Activity,
April 1978

	Toronto International	Montreal International	Mirabel International
April 1977	841,429	482,484	86,967
April 1978	907,089	482,548	87,444
% change	7.8	—	0.5

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Building Permits, October 1978 (64-001, 70¢/\$7)

Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, November 1978 (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Mineral Wool, November 1978 (44-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Cemented Tungsten Carbide Blanks and Tools, November 1978 (41-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

Gypsum Products, November 1978 (44-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Domestic Water Tank Heaters, November 1978 (43-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Oil Filters and Cartridges, November 1978 (41-016, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletins:

Communications (56-001, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 8, No. 9, Telecommunication Statistics, Third Quarter 1978

Minerals (41-010, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 6, No. 8, Consumption of Non-metallic Minerals, 1977 — Revised

The Consumer Price Index, December 1978 (62-001, 30¢/\$3)

National Highlights

The All-items Consumer Price Index for Canada (1971=100) increased by 0.3% from 180.8 in November to 181.3 in December. As a result, the 12-month rise between December 1977 and December 1978 stood at 8.4%, down from 8.8% in the previous month. Higher food prices and housing charges accounted for most of the CPI rise in the latest month. Food prices advanced by 0.6% between November and December while the index for all items excluding food rose by 0.2%.

Higher prices for beef cuts, up on average 2.5% in early December and for processed fruit were largely responsible for the 0.5% increase in the food-at-home index. Prices for selected dairy products also increased, largely because in two provinces higher prices for milk were recorded. The effect of these price increases was somewhat dampened by lower prices for selected pork cuts, chicken and fresh fruit and vegetables. Between December 1977 and December 1978, the index for food at home increased by 13.5%. The index for food away from home advanced by 0.6% in December, representing an increase of 9.5% over the same month in 1977.

Higher shelter charges and increased prices for furniture and appliances were largely responsible for the 0.2% increase in the index for all items excluding food. Other notable price increases were also registered for selected clothing items, especially in women's wear, and in several cities, for gasoline. The impact of these price increases was somewhat dampened by lower new car prices resulting from the reduction in the manufacturers' sales tax which came into effect in the latter half of November. Between December 1977 and December 1978, the index for all items excluding food advanced by 6.6%.

Viewed in terms of goods and services, the price levels for both the goods (including food) and the services components advanced by 0.3% in the latest month. Between December 1977 and December 1978, the price level for goods advanced by 9.5% while that for services rose by 6.5%.

On an annual average basis, the All-items Consumer Price Index advanced by 9.0% in 1978, up from the 8.0% recorded in 1977. The food index rose by 15.5% in 1978 compared with an increase of 8.4% in 1977, while the index for all items excluding food advanced by 6.4% in 1978, compared to an increase of 7.8% in 1977.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the All-items Consumer Price Index advanced by 0.6% between November and December: this comprised a 0.9% increase in the food index and a 0.4% increase in the index for all items excluding food.

City Highlights

Between November and December, in cities for which CPIs are published, consumer prices rose in 12 cities and remained unchanged over-all in the other three. Advances ranged from 0.2% in Halifax and Winnipeg to 0.5% in Montreal and Ottawa. No over-all price change was recorded in Toronto, Thunder Bay and Calgary. The major factor which contributed to this variation in city price movements was the differing rates of price movements for food, which ranged from a decline of 1.0% in Calgary to an increase of 1.8% in Montreal.

Between December 1977 and December 1978, the 12-month rise in consumer price indexes ranged from 6.4% in Saskatoon to 9.0% in St. John's.

St. John's

All items: November to December 1978, up 0.3%; December 1977 to December 1978, up 9.0%.

Main contributors: increased shelter charges and higher prices for household furnishings. Beef and other meat prices rose while those for fresh produce declined.

Charlottetown / Summerside

All items: November to December 1978, up 0.3%; December 1977 to December 1978, up 8.0%.

Main contributors: higher prices for pork, beef and restaurant meals while fresh produce prices declined. Increased prices on selected clothing items. Price declines reported for North American model cars.

Halifax

All items: November to December 1978, up 0.2%; December 1977 to December 1978, up 7.8%.

Main contributors: higher prices for meat, turkey and restaurant meals; fresh produce prices declined. Increased homeownership charges and higher prices for clothing and imported cars.

Saint John

All items: November to December 1978, up 0.3%; December 1977 to December 1978, up 8.0%.

Main contributors: higher prices for meat and turkey while fresh produce prices declined. Increased homeownership charges and higher electricity rates. New car prices declined.

Quebec City

All items: November to December 1978, up 0.3%; December 1977 to December 1978, up 7.9%.

Main contributors: higher prices for selected dairy and bakery products; prices down for beef and fresh produce. Increased homeownership charges and higher prices for appliances.

Montreal

All items: November to December 1978, up 0.5%; December 1977 to December 1978, up 7.4%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, processed fruit and dairy products. Increased homeownership charges. Lower prices for North American model cars and increased gasoline prices.

Ottawa

All items: November to December 1978, up 0.5%; December 1977 to December 1978, up 8.1%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, bakery products, processed fruit and restaurant meals. Increased shelter charges. Selected clothing prices up while North American car prices declined.

Toronto

All items: November to December 1978, no over-all change; December 1977 to December 1978, up 7.8%.

Main contributors: increased shelter charges. Prices down for North American cars. Lower prices for chicken and fresh produce while beef prices increased.

The Consumer Price Index and Major Components, Canada

(1971 = 100)

	Indexes			Percentage Change	
	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Dec. 1977	December 1978 from	
				Nov. 1978	Dec. 1977
All items	181.3	180.8	167.2	0.3	8.4
Food	216.0	214.8	191.5	0.6	12.8
All items excluding food	169.3	169.0	158.8	0.2	6.6
Housing	180.0	179.3	167.8	0.4	7.3
Clothing	151.9	151.0	145.5	0.6	4.4
Transportation	168.0	168.4	156.7	-0.2	7.2
Health and personal care	172.3	172.0	160.0	0.2	7.7
Recreation, reading and education	152.1	151.9	145.4	0.1	4.6
Tobacco and alcohol	159.1	159.1	148.6	0.0	7.1
Purchasing power of the 1971 consumer dollar	0.55	0.55	0.56		
All-items Consumer Price Index converted to 1961 = 100					241.9

Thunder Bay

All items: November to December 1978, no over-all change; December 1977 to December 1978, up 7.2%.

Main contributors: increased homeownership charges. Prices up for fresh produce, but declined for meat and chicken.

Winnipeg

All items: November to December 1978, up 0.2%; December 1977 to December 1978, up 8.3%.

Main contributors: higher prices for gasoline and women's wear. Prices down for beef, pork and fresh produce. North American car prices declined.

Regina

All items: November to December 1978, up 0.3%; December 1977 to December 1978, up 7.0%.

Main contributors: higher prices for dairy products and fresh fruit while meat prices declined. Increased shelter charges. Gasoline prices advanced.

Saskatoon

All items: November to December 1978, up 0.4%; December 1977 to December 1978, up 6.4%.

Main contributors: prices up for bakery and dairy products while those for beef declined. Higher clothing prices and homeownership charges.

Edmonton

All items: November to December 1978, up 0.3%; December 1977 to December 1978, up 8.1%.

Main contributors: higher prices for household furnishings and selected clothing items. Prices up for fresh fruit and poultry while meat prices declined.

Calgary

All items: November to December 1978, no over-all change; December 1977 to December 1978, up 7.6%.

Main contributors: increased shelter charges and higher prices for household furnishings and equipment. Beef and pork prices declined.

Vancouver

All items: November to December 1978, up 0.4%; December 1977 to December 1978, up 7.5%.

Main contributors: prices up for beef, turkey and fresh produce. Higher charges for shelter. Increased prices for gasoline and selected clothing items.

(see tables on pages 4 to 6)

Pulpwood and Wood Residue, November 1978 — Advance Information

Roundwood production increased 12.1% to 1,649,232 cunits (4 670 000 m³) in November from 1,471,316 cunits (4 167 000 m³) a year earlier. Receipts of wood residue rose by 13.1% to 1,107,850 cunits (3 136 000 m³) from 979,620 cunits (2 774 000 m³).

Consumption of roundwood and wood residue increased by 7.8% to 2,530,227 cunits (7 163 000 m³) from 2,346,759 cunits (6 645 000 m³) in November 1977 and the closing inventory of these two products decreased by 9.6% to 9,704,975 cunits (27 481 000 m³) from 10,735,026 cunits (30 398 000 m³).

For further information, order the November issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Month-to-Month Percentage Changes in the Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Index for Canada*

	All items		Food		All items excluding food	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted
1975						
January	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.5
February	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.7
March	0.5	0.5	-0.4	-0.1	0.9	0.8
April	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6
May	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.6	0.7	0.7
June	1.5	1.2	3.2	2.9	0.8	0.7
July	1.4	1.2	2.3	1.4	1.0	1.1
August	1.0	0.8	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8
September	0.2	0.6	-0.7	0.1	0.7	0.8
October	0.9	1.1	0.4	1.1	1.1	1.1
November	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.8	1.0	0.8
December	0.1	0.3	-0.7	-0.4	0.5	0.7
1976						
January	0.6	0.6	-0.2	-0.1	0.8	0.7
February	0.3	0.2	-0.3	-0.7	0.7	0.7
March	0.4	0.4	-0.7	-0.4	0.8	0.7
April	0.4	0.5	-0.4	-0.2	0.7	0.7
May	0.8	0.7	1.5	0.9	0.6	0.7
June	0.5	0.2	0.2	-0.4	0.5	0.5
July	0.4	0.3	0.3	-0.5	0.6	0.6
August	0.5	0.3	-0.5	-0.5	0.8	0.6
September	0.5	0.8	-0.7	0.0	1.0	1.1
October	0.7	0.9	0.0	0.7	0.8	1.0
November	0.3	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.5	0.5
December	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.3
1977						
January	0.9	0.8	1.2	1.4	0.7	0.7
February	0.9	0.8	2.0	1.5	0.5	0.4
March	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.2	1.0	1.1
April	0.6	0.7	1.0	1.2	0.5	0.5
May	0.8	0.6	1.4	0.7	0.5	0.5
June	0.7	0.5	1.1	0.6	0.6	0.6
July	0.9	0.7	2.1	1.2	0.4	0.5
August	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.2
September	0.6	0.9	0.2	1.0	0.7	1.0
October	1.0	1.1	1.4	2.0	0.8	0.8
November	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.1	0.6	0.4
December	0.7	0.9	1.6	2.0	0.3	0.5
1978						
January	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.9	0.2	0.1
February	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.6
March	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.1	1.0
April	0.2	0.4	1.7	2.0	-0.4	-0.2
May	1.4	1.2	3.3	2.6	0.6	0.6
June	0.9	0.6	2.0	1.3	0.4	0.3
July	1.5	1.2	4.0	2.7	0.4	0.6
August	0.1	0.0	-1.4	-1.0	0.7	0.4
September	-0.2	0.3	-2.4	-1.4	0.7	1.0
October	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.7	1.0	1.0
November	0.8	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.9	0.7
December	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.9	0.2	0.4

* Seasonally adjusted data are revised annually using updated seasonal adjustment factors. For more information, refer to Appendix II, Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (Catalogue 62-010).

Consumer Price Indexes for Canada, Major Components, Sub-groups and Special Aggregates, not Seasonally Adjusted

(1971=100)

	Indexes	Percentage Change	
		December 1978 from	
Major components, sub-groups and special aggregates	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Dec. 1977
Reclassified by goods and services			
Goods and services	181.3	0.3	8.4
Goods	183.0	0.3	9.5
Durable goods	145.5	-0.1	7.4
Semi-durable goods	148.9	0.3	4.6
Non-durable goods	201.0	0.4	10.6
Services	179.4	0.3	6.5
Special aggregates			
All-items excluding food	169.3	0.2	6.6
All-items excluding energy	178.8	0.2	8.3
Energy	215.1	0.5	9.7
All-items excluding food and energy	164.9	0.2	6.3

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.*

	All items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Transportation	Health and personal care	Recreation reading and education	Tobacco and alcohol
	(1971=100)							
St. John's								
December 1978 index	190.6	233.2	196.5	144.8	169.5	183.9	150.0	158.6
November 1978 index	190.1	232.5	195.5	145.1	169.3	182.0	149.2	158.6
% change from November 1978	0.3	0.3	0.5	-0.2	0.1	1.0	0.5	0.0
% change from December 1977	9.0	15.1	8.0	3.5	5.0	10.2	7.9	5.2
Halifax								
December 1978 index	178.3	211.1	180.4	144.8	170.7	161.4	147.1	144.1
November 1978 index	177.9	210.2	180.2	144.1	170.3	161.6	147.5	144.1
% change from November 1978	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	0.0
% change from December 1977	7.8	12.5	6.1	6.5	6.6	6.3	5.7	0.8
Saint John								
December 1978 index	181.7	216.7	183.5	141.4	170.5	173.0	160.4	148.2
November 1978 index	181.2	215.0	182.8	140.9	171.1	172.1	160.6	148.6
% change from November 1978	0.3	0.8	0.4	0.4	-0.4	0.5	-0.1	-0.3
% change from December 1977	8.0	11.9	6.8	5.3	6.7	5.9	5.1	8.4
Quebec City								
December 1978 index	177.9	212.7	177.2	137.8	170.2	170.3	151.0	160.4
November 1978 index	177.4	211.5	176.4	137.4	170.4	170.4	150.8	160.4
% change from November 1978	0.3	0.6	0.5	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.0
% change from December 1977	7.9	11.4	8.6	-1.4	6.9	9.4	5.0	7.0
Montreal								
December 1978 index	178.5	214.7	169.7	151.6	170.3	171.0	156.3	164.0
November 1978 index	177.6	210.8	169.4	151.2	171.1	171.1	156.0	164.2
% change from November 1978	0.5	1.8	0.2	0.3	-0.5	-0.1	0.2	-0.1
% change from December 1977	7.4	10.7	7.9	-0.3	6.3	7.8	5.0	8.3
Ottawa								
December 1978 index	179.4	206.1	178.4	167.8	168.0	165.5	146.8	163.0
November 1978 index	178.5	202.7	177.8	167.1	169.0	165.2	146.0	162.8
% change from November 1978	0.5	1.7	0.3	0.4	-0.6	0.2	0.5	0.1
% change from December 1977	8.1	12.2	6.8	8.0	7.9	5.1	3.3	6.4

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada (continued)

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.*

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971-100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation reading and education	Tobacco and alcohol
Toronto								
December 1978 index	179.4	208.8	179.0	154.0	165.6	181.5	151.1	157.6
November 1978 index	179.4	209.8	178.6	152.7	166.1	181.1	151.2	157.6
% change from November 1978	0.0	-0.5	0.2	0.9	-0.3	0.2	-0.1	0.0
% change from December 1977	7.8	10.5	7.1	7.6	6.8	9.9	3.6	5.5
Thunder Bay								
December 1978 index	180.8	211.3	182.4	147.5	173.8	178.0	150.4	156.5
November 1978 index	180.8	212.4	181.5	147.4	174.5	177.6	150.9	156.5
% change from November 1978	0.0	-0.5	0.5	0.1	-0.4	0.2	-0.3	0.0
% change from December 1977	7.2	10.4	7.0	7.5	3.9	7.3	3.4	5.7
Winnipeg								
December 1978 index	182.9	211.7	192.7	155.6	165.0	173.6	150.9	156.6
November 1978 index	182.5	213.6	191.6	154.8	163.6	173.0	150.5	156.6
% change from November 1978	0.2	-0.9	0.6	0.5	0.9	0.3	0.3	0.0
% change from December 1977	8.3	11.3	8.1	8.1	5.7	7.0	5.0	6.5
Saskatoon								
December 1978 index	176.2	206.9	176.2	152.7	162.3	162.1	164.0	161.4
November 1978 index	175.5	204.9	175.5	150.5	162.8	161.9	163.6	161.4
% change from November 1978	0.4	1.0	0.4	1.5	-0.3	0.1	0.2	0.0
% change from December 1977	6.4	11.3	4.7	4.1	5.5	7.1	3.0	7.6
Regina								
December 1978 index	180.4	206.1	181.8	151.2	169.7	173.0	167.6	162.7
November 1978 index	179.9	205.5	181.3	150.5	169.5	172.4	167.5	162.7
% change from November 1978	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.0
% change from December 1977	7.0	12.1	4.0	4.3	7.5	8.7	2.9	8.2
Edmonton								
December 1978 index	182.9	205.8	195.5	160.5	170.3	161.8	156.7	144.6
November 1978 index	182.4	206.2	194.3	159.3	170.5	161.2	155.9	144.6
% change from November 1978	0.3	-0.2	0.6	0.8	-0.1	0.4	0.5	0.0
% change from December 1977	8.1	8.1	8.7	10.3	7.4	6.0	7.0	2.9
Calgary								
December 1978 index	178.9	201.3	187.6	158.9	166.1	167.9	154.4	147.1
November 1978 index	178.9	203.3	186.7	158.9	166.0	167.4	154.4	147.0
% change from November 1978	0.0	-1.0	0.5	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.1
% change from December 1977	7.6	10.7	7.9	7.3	5.1	7.4	4.5	3.6
Vancouver								
December 1978 index	183.0	213.4	184.0	154.4	173.7	169.0	147.1	162.5
November 1978 index	182.2	211.4	183.3	153.7	173.0	168.9	146.9	162.4
% change from November 1978	0.4	0.9	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1
% change from December 1977	7.5	11.0	5.6	5.5	7.6	5.2	4.3	10.2
Charlottetown/Summerside*								
December 1978 index	145.0	150.4	151.2	127.1	142.7	143.3	129.5	131.3
November 1978 index	144.5	149.5	150.8	125.9	143.1	142.3	129.2	131.2
% change from November 1978	0.3	0.6	0.3	1.0	-0.3	0.7	0.2	0.1
% change from December 1977	8.0	12.3	7.3	5.2	6.7	6.9	4.8	0.8

* 1974=100.

Provincial Government Revenue and Expenditure, 1976-77 — Advance Information

Final data for 1976-77 show that gross general revenues of provincial and territorial governments at \$38.5 billion increased by 18% over the previous fiscal year, that is at about the average rate of recent years. Expenditures, however, rose by only 13.7% from 1975-76 as compared with an average increase of 17.8% over the past five years.

Among individual revenues, the small increase over the previous year of 4.3% in corporation income tax was in marked contrast to the 19.1% increase in personal income tax, the 19.9% increase in sales and related taxes and the 31.3% increase in miscellaneous taxes. A significant factor in the increase in personal income tax was the larger abatement of its share of the tax which the federal government made beginning in January 1977 under the new Federal-Provincial Fiscal Arrangements Act. Apart from natural resource revenue where the major year-over-year increases in 1973-74 (57%) and 1974-75 (92%) distort the picture, other revenue components generally recorded average increases.

Still the most important expenditure functions by far were health at \$9.7 billion (up 13.2% over 1975-76), education at \$9.1 billion (up 14.2%) and social services at \$5.6 billion (up 18.1%). While other major expenditure functions generally showed somewhat slower rates of growth than the average of recent years, natural resources (up 35.9% over the previous year) and transportation and communications (up only 1.8%) were notable exceptions.

Higher than average year-over-year increases in revenues were recorded in the Northwest Territories (28.5%) and British Columbia (23.3%) while Saskatchewan (12.7%), New Brunswick (9.3%) and Prince Edward Island (8.7%) showed increases significantly lower than their averages of recent years.

On the expenditure side, above average year-over-year increases occurred in the Northwest Territories (30.0%) and Alberta (23.7%) while Saskatchewan (up 19.1%) and Quebec (up 17.3%) were close to their averages. Increases in expenditures over 1975-76 in Manitoba (14.5%), Ontario (11.2%), Nova Scotia (10.7%) and New Brunswick (9.4%) were somewhat below their averages of recent years, while those in Newfoundland (8.9%), British Columbia (4.1%), Prince Edward Island (3.3%) and the Yukon (2.7%) were significantly below recent experience.

For further information, order *Provincial Government Finance, Revenue and Expenditure, 1976* (68-207, \$2.10), or contact Mr. G. Rheume (613-995-8201), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Radio and Television Receiving Sets, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers domestic sales of "Made in Canada" colour television sets totalled 13,043 units in November.

For further information, order the November issue of *Radio and Television Receiving Sets* (43-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, January 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter were down to 62.5 million pounds on January 1 from last year's corresponding total of 63.3 million, while stocks of cheddar cheese were up to 63.5 million pounds from 61.7 million a year earlier. Stocks of skim milk powder decreased to 91.2 million pounds from 123.9 million and stocks of evaporated whole milk decreased to 20.6 million pounds from 25.9 million.

For further information, order the January issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Dairy Factory Production, December 1978 — Advance Information

Production of creamery butter decreased 3.8% in December to 12.8 million pounds from 13.3 million pounds a year earlier. Cheddar cheese production increased 12.0% to 14.8 million pounds from 13.3 million pounds. Production of ice cream mix decreased 12.2% to 1.9 million gallons from 2.2 million gallons.

For further information, order the December issue of *Dairy Factory Production* (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-995-4858), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Stoves and Ranges, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of electric stoves and ranges in November decreased by 2.7% to 35,456 units from 36,455 in November 1977. Closing inventory of these products decreased by 5.4% to 65,541 units from 69,259 a year earlier.

For further information, order the November issue of *Stoves and Furnaces* (41-005, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Consumer Credit, November 1978 — Advance Information

Consumer credit outstanding on the books of selected credit holders reporting monthly reached \$28,130 million at the end of November, an increase of 15.1% from a year earlier.

Outstanding balances of monthly-reporting credit holders at the end of November 1978, with percentage changes from a year earlier:

- Chartered banks' personal loans: \$21,646 million, up 16.7%.
- Quebec savings banks' personal loans: \$103 million, up 17.0%.
- Life insurance companies' policy loans: \$1,338 million, up 4.7%.
- Sales finance and consumer loan companies' loans: small \$177 million, down 12.4%; large \$1,490 million, up 2.0%; instalment sales paper \$1,170 million, up 7.5%.
- Department stores and furniture, TV, radio and household appliance stores: \$1,562 million, up 10.0%.
- Trust and mortgage companies' personal loans: \$644 million, up 75.5%.

Credit holders reporting quarterly had combined outstanding balances of \$6,940 million at the end of the third quarter of 1978, up 15.5% from a year earlier. Credit unions and caisses populaires, the largest quarterly reporters, had balances outstanding of \$5,232 million, up 18.1% (also included in the quarterly total: other retail stores, other credit-card issuers, and public utilities).

Including quarterly reporters, consumer credit outstanding at the end of the third quarter of 1978 totalled \$34,496 million, up 14.7% from September 30, 1977.

For further information, order the November issue of *Consumer Credit* (61-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, October 1978 — Advance Information

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies increased in October to 563,284,000 feet board measure (1 329 202 m³) from a revised 485,520,000 feet board measure (1 145 700 m³) in October 1977. Stocks on hand at the end of October 1978 totalled 585,088,000 feet board measure (1 380 653 m³).

For further information, order the October issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Road Motor Vehicles — Registrations, 1977 — Advance Information

Canada's provincial and territorial governments reported 9,554,290 passenger automobile registrations during the 1977 licence year. Registrations of trucks and buses were 2,494,345, while motorcycles totalled 372,028 and moped registrations amounted to 65,772.

The number of drivers' licences in force during the 1977 licence year was reported at 12.9 million.

For further information, contact Mr. M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Household Goods Movers, 1977 — Advance Information

Preliminary results of the 1977 household goods movers survey show that operating revenues reported by the 309 carriers having gross operating revenues of \$100,000 or more in 1976 amounted to \$199.9 million, an increase of 25.4% over 1976. Operating expenses rose 20.0% to \$182.6 million.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Motor Carriers — Freight, 1977 — Advance Information

Preliminary results of the 1977 motor carriers — freight survey show that operating revenues reported by the 2,884 carriers having gross operating revenues of \$100,000 or more in 1976 amounted to \$3,264.8 million, an increase of 14.0% over 1976. Operating expenses also rose 14.0% to \$3,131.6 million.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Tobacco Products — Cigarettes and Cigars, December 1978 — Advance Information

Production of cigarettes decreased to 4.6 billion in December from 4.7 billion in December 1977. Production of cigars totalled 30.6 million, down from 36.5 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the December issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry, October 1978 (72-008, 40¢/\$4)

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Cheques Cashed, November 1978 (61-001, 30¢/\$3)

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Distilled Beverage Spirits and Industrial Ethyl Alcohol, November 1978 (32-021, 15¢/\$1.50)

The Sugar Situation, November 1978 (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

Asphalt Roofing, November 1978 (45-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, November 1978 (33-001, 30¢/\$3)

Preliminary Report on Job Vacancies, Fourth Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates of the average number of jobs vacant on a daily basis during the fourth quarter of 1978 was 44,300*, a decrease of 11% from 50,000 in the preceding quarter. Compared with the fourth quarter of 1977, the number of vacancies increased by 8,600.

Vacancies for full-time jobs decreased by 12% to 39,500 from 45,000 in the third quarter of 1978. Longer-term vacancies (jobs unfilled for more than four weeks) decreased by 6% to 15,200.

For every 1,000 existing jobs in the fourth quarter of 1978, five were vacant, unchanged from the previous quarter. The comparable rate a year earlier was four per 1,000. The highest vacancy rate (nine per 1,000) was observed in Alberta. The lowest vacancy rate (three per 1,000) occurred in Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick.

*The Job Vacancy Survey provides an estimate of the average number of vacancies available on any given day in a three-month period. The estimate of this three-month average is derived from six observations taken at regular intervals. Consequently, the survey does not cover those vacancies which occur and are filled between individual observations. In addition, the survey does not cover openings in agriculture, fishing, hunting, trapping and households. The data derived from the Job Vacancy Survey, taken over time, are consistent and reliable indicators of trends in job openings.

For detailed definitions and design of the survey, see *Canadian Job Vacancy Survey, Technical Appendix, 1972* (71-521, 50¢).

Vacancy Rates for Part-time and Full-time Jobs Canada and Provinces

	Three-month Periods Ending		
	4th Q. 1978p	3rd Q. 1978	4th Q. 1977
	(Rates per 1,000 jobs)		
Canada*	5	5	4
Atlantic Provinces**	3	4	3
Newfoundland	3	3	3
Nova Scotia	3	5	2
New Brunswick	3	4	3
Quebec	4	4	3
Ontario	5	5	4
Manitoba	5	6	4
Saskatchewan	5	5	4
Alberta	9	12	8
British Columbia	4	4	4

p Preliminary estimates.

* Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories.

** Includes Prince Edward Island.

For further information, contact Mr. J.A. Boucek (613-992-2006), or Ms. M. Beaubien (613-996-7148), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics, Third Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

Commencing with the third quarter 1978 issue of *Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics* (catalogue 61-003), the quarterly figures previously published have been revised for the years 1975 to 1978, inclusive. A detailed explanation of the revisions is included in the publication. In addition, *Real Estate Rentals, Real Estate Developers and Construction Industry* statistics are published for the first time; these statistics are not, however, included in *Total All Industries* and are not published for years prior to 1977.

To maintain a consistent series of data covering several years, the statistics compiled by the previous methodology will be retained in Statistics Canada's CANSIM data bank; this series terminated after the first quarter of 1978. The new series commenced with data for the first quarter of 1974.

For further information, order the third quarter issue of *Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics* (61-003, \$1.75/\$7), or contact Mr. R. Martelock (613-996-0275), Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Oilseeds, December 1978 — Advance Information

Crushings of oilseeds for December, with oil produced and meal produced (all figures in metric tonnes):

- Soybeans: 63 894 (10 717; 50 101).
- Rapeseed: 65 383 (26 317; 36 561).

For further information, order the December issue of *Grains and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, 40¢/\$4), or contact J.M. Huard (613-995-4881), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Radio Broadcasting, September 1978 — Advance Information

Gross national AM and FM radio air-time sales were \$7.3 million in September, an increase of 10.6% from \$6.6 million in September 1977. Net national sales, after deduction of agency and other commissions, amounted to \$6.2 million, up 5.1% from \$5.9 million in the previous year.

Net local air-time sales were up 13.8% to \$18.2 million in September from \$16.0 million.

Gross radio air-time sales for January to September were \$229.7 million in 1978 compared to \$198.2 million in 1977, an increase of 15.9%. Net sales rose 15.6% to \$213.8 million from \$184.9 million.

For further information, order the September issue of *Radio Broadcasting* (56-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory Services staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island by telephoning 1-800-565-7192. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, January 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first day of January amounted to 103.5 million pounds, down from 100.9 million last month and 98.8 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the January issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended January 20, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended January 20 was 340,625 short tons (309 010 t), a decrease of 1.1% from the preceding week's total of 344,369 short tons (312 406 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 302,851 short tons (274 742 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 185.9 in the current week, 187.9 a week earlier and 165.3 a year earlier.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1978				% Change
		Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	
Real Domestic Product	100.00	133.1	135.1	135.1	135.9	0.6
Agriculture	3.371	107.4	108.0	106.3	106.4	0.1
Forestry	.802	115.9	137.5	145.2	155.9	7.4
Fishing and Trapping	.178	99.2	89.8	102.1	109.8	7.5
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	100.1	102.6	104.3	104.0	-0.3
Manufacturing industries	22.753	132.9	137.3	137.2	138.1	0.7
Construction industry	6.990	111.2	111.7	110.9	108.7	-2.0
Transportation, storage and communication	9.050	143.9	144.3	143.0	143.8	0.6
Transportation	5.991	129.4	129.6	128.1	129.3	0.9
Air transport and services incidental to air transport	.671	188.1	185.7	186.9	189.1	1.2
Railway transport	1.815	122.3	124.2	121.0	121.8	0.7
Bus transport, interurban and rural	.089	128.4	129.5	128.0	127.4	-0.5
Urban transit systems	.250	120.9	120.9	117.8	117.2	-0.5
Pipeline transport	.486	117.4	116.0	124.2	121.4	-2.3
Storage	.258	127.5	122.0	108.6	91.3	-15.9
Grain elevators	.177	119.8	110.5	91.1	68.4	-24.9
Communication	2.801	176.6	177.8	178.0	179.5	0.8
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.658	153.0	158.3	158.0	158.7	0.4
Trade	11.561	141.1	143.7	141.7	142.4	0.5
Wholesale trade	4.756	133.7	133.6	134.9	135.3	0.3
Wholesale merchants	3.498	135.9	135.7	137.0	137.6	0.4
Retail trade	6.805	146.2	150.7	146.4	147.3	0.6
Food stores	1.299	111.3	116.4	112.5	113.4	0.8
General merchandise stores	1.413	150.6	152.9	149.8	156.0	4.1
Department stores	.889	176.0	177.9	174.7	183.8	5.2
Other general merchandise stores	.524	107.5	110.4	107.7	108.9	1.1
Motor vehicle dealers	.811	169.3	184.4	169.0	158.8	-6.0
Clothing stores	.434	138.3	141.3	132.7	133.6	0.7
Hardware stores	.101	119.5	118.1	117.4	115.3	-1.8
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores	.216	154.6	161.0	151.5	143.9	-5.0
Drug stores	.301	180.0	182.6	178.4	182.9	2.5
Finance, insurance and real estate	11.853	149.3	151.2	152.7	156.9	2.8
Community, business and personal service industries	19.539	133.3	133.8	134.5	134.7	0.1
Education and related services	6.478	110.4	109.9	110.3	110.9	0.5
Health and welfare services	5.318	126.4	126.4	126.6	126.8	0.2
Amusement and recreation services	.536	170.5	170.4	170.6	170.5	-0.1
Services to business management	2.373	187.4	188.8	190.9	190.9	—
Personal services	1.021	117.8	117.7	117.8	118.6	0.7
Accommodation and food services	2.588	152.2	154.9	156.6	155.7	-0.6
Public administration and defence	7.425	126.4	125.3	124.9	124.9	—
Special groupings:						
Index of industrial production	29.230	130.4	134.7	134.8	135.5	0.5
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	134.0	136.1	136.1	136.9	0.6
Goods-producing industries	40.572	124.8	128.4	128.4	128.8	0.3
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.201	126.3	130.2	130.4	130.8	0.3
Service-producing industries	59.428	138.8	139.7	139.6	140.8	0.9
Commercial industries	81.308	136.4	139.0	138.9	139.9	0.7
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.937	137.6	140.4	140.4	141.4	0.7
Non-commercial industries	18.692	118.8	118.1	118.2	118.5	0.3
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.324	133.8	136.5	136.2	137.1	0.7
Durable manufacturing industries	11.429	132.0	138.2	138.2	139.1	0.7

Real Domestic Product, November 1978 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted index of real domestic product (1971=100) increased 0.6% in November to 135.9 from 135.1 in October. Output of service-producing industries increased 0.9% while that of goods-producing industries was up 0.3%.

The index of industrial production increased 0.5% to 135.5 in November from 134.8 in October. Both manufacturing and utilities contributed to the increase, while mining declined slightly.

For further information, order the November issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (Including the Index of Industrial Production)* (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1978				% Change
		Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	
Index of Industrial Production	29.230	130.4	134.7	134.8	135.5	0.5
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	100.1	102.6	104.3	104.0	-0.3
Metal mines	1.584	74.5	80.9	85.2	77.4	-9.2
Mineral fuels	1.492	114.9	113.5	115.5	122.6	6.1
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	126.6	129.3	118.5	122.3	3.2
Manufacturing industries	22.753	132.9	137.3	137.2	138.1	0.7
Food and beverage industries	3.107	113.9	116.7	116.3	118.4	1.8
Tobacco products industries	.212	107.0	119.0	115.2	111.6	-3.1
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	212.1	214.8	212.1	218.4	3.0
Leather industries	.206	100.2	103.8	103.5	105.0	1.4
Textile industries	.769	124.6	128.2	130.1	133.7	2.8
Knitting mills	.205	135.4	136.8	138.8	139.9	0.8
Clothing industries	.742	129.6	134.7	133.9	136.6	2.0
Wood industries	.968	155.9	162.3	163.5	162.8	-0.4
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	134.3	141.1	142.0	143.7	1.2
Paper and allied industries	1.841	129.9	131.0	130.4	127.9	-1.9
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	140.4	141.0	140.7	139.3	-1.0
Primary metal industries	1.976	112.9	121.0	124.8	126.3	1.2
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.957	122.0	124.5	124.4	124.7	0.2
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.001	150.4	157.1	156.4	157.6	0.8
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	144.1	153.3	149.1	152.2	2.1
Electrical products industries	1.631	117.9	121.8	123.7	124.8	0.9
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	139.0	144.0	143.8	138.9	-3.4
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	137.4	139.3	140.8	139.4	-1.0
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.362	153.2	155.7	154.0	154.7	0.5
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	141.3	145.5	149.5	149.6	0.1
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.658	153.0	158.3	158.0	158.7	0.4
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.324	133.8	136.5	136.2	137.1	0.7
Durable manufacturing industries	11.429	132.0	138.2	138.2	139.1	0.7

Building Permits, November 1978 — Advance Information

The value of building permits issued during November fell 9.5% to a seasonally-adjusted total of \$1,076 million from a revised \$1,188 million in October, reflecting a slowdown in the residential construction sector. In November 1977, the value of permits issued was \$1,081 million.

After reaching an unexpectedly high level of \$708 million in October, residential permits fell back in November to a pre-October average of \$608 million. During the month, builders' applications were processed for 8,320 single-detached homes and 9,300 multiple dwellings compared to 9,477 singles and 10,938 multiples a month earlier. On the basis of November permit activity, housing starts are expected to remain at relatively low levels in upcoming months.

Although the level of non-residential permits issued in November at \$468 million was down from October (\$480 million), strength was shown in the industrial sector. The value of plants and other industrial buildings authorized totalled \$147 million compared to \$85 million in October. However, commercial projects dropped to \$233 million from \$296 million in October,

and institutional buildings estimated at \$99 million in October decreased to \$88 million in November.

Partial returns for December indicate a seasonally-adjusted rate of \$1,120 million, including \$610 million for new residential construction. Should this level be attained, the value of all permits issued during 1978 will have totalled \$13.0 billion compared to \$12.4 billion in 1977. It should be noted that these construction figures do not include the value of engineering projects such as highways, pipelines, oil refineries and hydro-electric developments which do not usually require building permits.

For further information, order the November issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, 70¢/\$7), or contact J.P. Delisle (613-995-8215), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see tables on pages 4 and 5)

Building Permits

November 1978

	Number of Dwelling Units			Value of Residential and Non-Residential Construction				
	Singles	Multiples	Total	Residen- tial	Indus- trial	Commer- cial (\$000)	Institu- tional and govern- mental	Total
Newfoundland	52	114	166	5,426	392	7,552	7,447	20,817
Prince Edward Island	41	53	94	2,884	185	468	302	3,839
Nova Scotia	311	124	435	15,186	858	4,963	2,356	23,363
New Brunswick	104	92	196	6,098	827	2,741	1,412	11,078
Quebec	1,572	1,651	3,223	101,115	18,805	29,652	21,977	171,549
Ontario	1,908	3,471	5,379	178,750	73,980	67,071	24,130	343,931
Manitoba	134	409	543	13,987	2,256	7,315	1,512	25,070
Saskatchewan	395	261	656	23,510	704	6,607	3,464	34,285
Alberta	1,387	2,430	3,817	125,353	13,437	75,087	17,762	231,639
British Columbia	982	775	1,757	61,436	5,070	34,892	8,411	109,809
Yukon	21	—	21	790	50	96	2	938
Northwest Territories	6	1	7	244	—	278	994	1,516
Canada — Unadjusted	6,913	9,381	16,294	534,779	116,564	236,722	89,769	977,834
Canada — Adjusted	8,320	9,300	17,620	607,658	146,602	233,312	88,386	1,075,958
Metropolitan Areas	4,108	7,052	11,160	363,465	71,812	152,243	48,157	635,677
Calgary	382	464	846	29,335	3,208	29,637	365	62,545
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	34	42	76	2,642	2,897	1,685	8	7,232
Edmonton	399	1,572	1,971	60,106	1,625	24,395	11,384	97,510
Halifax	105	76	181	7,326	85	2,830	1,108	11,349
Hamilton	102	8	110	5,160	1,423	3,720	2,657	12,960
Hull	36	15	51	2,197	455	1,583	101	4,336
Kitchener	96	20	116	4,895	891	5,023	384	11,193
London	215	310	525	12,798	758	817	679	15,052
Montreal	765	817	1,582	50,517	5,190	7,365	7,352	70,424
Oshawa	40	46	86	3,039	235	1,933	17	5,224
Ottawa	66	677	743	20,362	576	3,009	2,167	26,114
Quebec	239	330	569	17,182	473	9,143	4,155	30,953
Regina	76	60	136	6,145	122	1,780	675	8,722
St. Catharines-Niagara	41	48	89	3,376	1,765	2,773	836	8,750
Saint John	19	5	24	1,016	43	1,456	896	3,411
St. John's	36	12	48	1,883	210	902	1,907	4,902
Saskatoon	224	158	382	12,219	112	1,758	9	14,098
Sudbury	13	—	13	794	335	713	98	1,940
Thunder Bay	29	61	90	2,947	5,070	955	193	9,165
Toronto	449	1,145	1,594	62,396	14,088	27,561	8,455	112,500
Vancouver	423	304	727	24,219	916	13,923	3,082	42,140
Victoria	58	107	165	5,842	249	1,547	260	7,898
Windsor	170	366	536	14,787	29,093	1,069	918	45,867
Winnipeg	91	409	500	12,282	1,993	6,666	451	21,392

Preliminary figures.

For further information order *Building Permits*, November 1978 (64-001, 70¢/\$7).

Building Permits

(million of dollars)

		1977					1978				
		Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total	Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total
Canada —	Sept.	689.1	120.0	235.7	161.6	1,206.4	685.2	82.3	362.4	114.5	1,244.4
Unadjusted	Oct.	631.0	111.6	205.1	83.8	1,031.5	754.1	110.1	319.9	125.7	1,309.8
	Nov.	673.0	72.5	210.5	126.7	1,082.7	534.8	116.5	236.7	89.8	977.8
Canada —	Sept.	620.5	99.1	214.0	153.0	1,086.6	618.8	66.0	340.8	110.1	1,135.7
Adjusted	Oct.	605.7	90.5	208.3	72.9	977.4	708.0	85.3	295.9	99.3	1,188.5
	Nov.	704.8	79.5	196.2	100.7	1,081.2	607.7	146.6	233.3	88.4	1,076.0
Canada Jan.-Nov. 1978											
Unadjusted		7,106.9	946.0	2,243.9	1,271.0	11,567.8	7,017.5	962.7	2,839.0	1,195.0	12,014.2
Newfoundland		50.3	8.3	26.5	11.0	96.1	47.9	3.2	23.5	22.5	97.1
Prince Edward Island		38.1	11.0	7.8	9.6	66.5	36.4	8.1	9.6	31.9	86.0
Nova Scotia		205.5	7.8	47.2	39.7	300.2	204.1	9.6	57.2	60.2	331.1
New Brunswick		101.7	6.3	37.0	20.8	165.8	100.6	11.9	56.8	35.0	204.3
Quebec		1,421.7	218.5	365.3	333.9	2,339.4	1,323.9	211.2	389.0	270.1	2,194.2
Ontario		2,465.7	417.2	653.6	383.5	3,920.0	2,369.9	451.6	897.5	281.9	4,000.9
Manitoba		235.1	24.6	63.6	42.8	366.1	267.1	20.7	91.3	46.9	426.0
Saskatchewan		305.7	19.3	112.2	51.1	488.3	259.0	10.9	110.0	57.2	437.1
Alberta		1,290.6	134.5	567.0	162.8	2,154.9	1,509.3	141.7	826.7	245.5	2,723.2
British Columbia		975.2	98.3	361.2	207.1	1,641.8	878.7	90.9	365.1	136.8	1,471.5
N.W.T. and Yukon		17.3	0.2	2.5	8.7	28.7	20.6	2.9	12.3	7.0	42.8

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, January 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Stocks of fruits, frozen and in preservatives, in storages and factories on January 1 totalled 46.3 million pounds compared with 40.7 million a year earlier. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 160.9 million pounds (147.6 million in 1978).

For further information, order the January issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Imports by Commodities

Commodity-country import trade statistics for November 1978 are now available in advance of the regular publication. For information, contact G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Petroleum Refineries Index Available

The Petroleum Refineries Index (SIC 3651) of the Industry Selling Price Index series, reflecting the price movements of current transactions is now available to June 1978. Revisions have been made to the index numbers of commodity prices of petroleum products from February 1977 forward.

The index will appear on a monthly basis in the publication *Industry Price Indexes* (catalogue 62-011) commencing in the near future. For further information, contact the Information Unit, Industrial Prices (613-995-5761), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Housing Starts and Completions, November 1978 (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50)

Selected Meat and Meat Preparations, November 1978 (32-020, 15¢/\$1.50)

Corporation Taxation Statistics, 1976, and Preliminary 1977 for Allocation of Taxable Income Only — Advance Information

Income taxes declared by corporations in Canada (excluding insurance carriers and credit unions) declined to \$6,757 million in 1976 from \$7,007 million in 1975. The drop of \$250 million or 4% in this year of moderate economic growth followed increases of 7% for 1975 and 38% for 1974. The main reason for the decline in income taxes was the continuing lacklustre performance of corporation book profits before taxes which, in 1976, grew only 3% after a drop of 2% in the preceding year.

The federal budgets of June 1975 and May 1976 provided for several important changes affecting the taxation of corporations in 1976, especially corporations in the resource industries. Effective January 1, 1976 the "resource profit abatement" was repealed, making the tax rate equal to the 46% in other industries. At the same time, a resource allowance was introduced which entitled firms to a deduction in calculating taxable income equal to 25% of their resource profits. Previously the rate of taxation in these industries after deducting the "resource profit abatement" which had been introduced in 1974 to partly compensate firms for the non-deductibility of provincial royalties, was 35% of mining and 38% of petroleum taxable income. Although difficult to assess in isolation, the net impact of these two tax changes was a major reason for the decline in the ratio of taxes to book profits from 39% in the previous year to 38% in 1976, and was especially significant in explaining the decreases in metal mining (from 23% to 17%), in mineral fuels (from 39% to 34%), and in petroleum and coal products (from 37% to 29%).

Small businesses also benefited from a change introduced in the budget which raised the small business deduction limit to \$150,000 from \$100,000. This, in effect, extended the 25% tax rate to the first \$150,000 of taxable income. It was instrumental in increasing the small business deduction by \$58 million, bringing the total tax relief to small Canadian-controlled private businesses to \$738 million in 1976. For large firms, in sectors other than mining and manufacturing, the general rate of taxation, as specified in the amended Income Tax Act of 1972, was reduced one percentage point to 46% of taxable income.

As well, 1976 marked the first full year of the 5% investment tax credit introduced in June 1975. This tax credit generally enabled firms to deduct from tax otherwise payable an amount equal to 5% of their capital cost of new buildings, machinery and equipment used in manufacturing and processing operations. In 1976 this incentive eased the burden of taxation by some \$113 million.

Taxable income (the tax base) fell 2% to \$17,091 million in 1976 with individual industries varying widely. Decreases were experienced in just under one-third of the industries with the largest occurring in metal mining (49%) and in petroleum and coal products (43%), primarily due to changing tax legislation. Notable increases were posted in wood (63%), transport equipment (40%), and other mining (30%).

On a regional basis, British Columbia and Saskatchewan were the only two provinces to register gains in taxable income. In British Columbia, taxable income rose 8% mainly due to the rebound of the province's forestry-related industries which had been virtually shut down by strikes for several months in 1975. In Saskatchewan, recaptured capital cost allowances and proceeds on disposal of resource properties resulting from the province's takeover of a major potash producer contributed to an 8% increase. Taxable income declined marginally in Ontario to \$6,443 million and in Quebec to \$3,374 million with notable decreases in mining and refining industries. The impact of the new resource allowance was greatest in Alberta where taxable income fell by 7% to \$3,252 million in 1976. Decreases were also registered in Nova Scotia (10%), New Brunswick and Newfoundland (7% each) and Prince Edward Island (6%) while taxable income in Manitoba remained substantially unchanged.

1977 Preliminary

Preliminary 1977 estimates of taxable income based on partial data show a marginal increase for Canada of 1% to \$17,235 million, reflecting in part the slowdown in economic activity experienced during the year and the impact of new legislation introduced in the March 1977 budget, such as the 3% inventory allowance. This budgetary measure entitled businesses to a deduction in calculating taxable income equal to 3% of their opening inventories. In addition, the Act was changed so that certain frontier oil exploration expenditures could earn depletion at a higher rate (66 2/3%).

Another budget incentive pertaining to 1977 was the extension of the 5% investment tax credit for three additional years with the credit being raised in designated regions to as high as 10%.

Alberta recorded the highest rate of growth of all the provinces in 1977 as taxable income rose by 13% to \$3,672 million. This increase was mainly attributable to higher prices and production in the mineral fuels industry (up \$273 million). In British Columbia, taxable income climbed 6% to \$1,966 million, led by increases in forestry and wood products stemming from increased housing starts in the United States. Taxable income in the Atlantic provinces rose by 4% over-all, with Newfoundland up 12% and Nova Scotia up 6%, while New Brunswick fell by 2% and Prince Edward Island remained unchanged. Ontario and Quebec recorded declines of 3% and 4% respectively. In Ontario the most significant decrease occurred in metal mining (down 50%) due to production cutbacks and layoffs in nickel mining. In Quebec decreases in most manufacturing industries contributed to the over-all drop in the tax base. Taxable income in both Manitoba and Saskatchewan fell 8%. In the latter province the drop was caused by the provincial government takeover of a major potash producer in the previous year (see above).

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Provincial Allocation of Taxable Income, by Industrial Division, 1976 and Preliminary 1977

	Atlantic Provinces		Quebec		Ontario	
	1976	1977p	1976	1977p	1976	1977p
millions of dollars						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	x	x	10.3	10.5	42.3	43.8
Mining	12.1	20.6	69.7	78.9	194.7	140.7
Manufacturing	208.4	227.4	1,313.2	1,251.7	2,753.4	2,602.0
Construction	62.2	53.2	243.8	221.3	297.5	272.2
Transportation, communication and other utilities	x	x	209.5	225.3	328.5	362.6
Wholesale trade	67.6	63.6	432.6	393.7	704.8	623.1
Retail trade	92.1	80.5	293.6	270.4	432.9	406.0
Finance	135.2	131.1	538.4	517.6	1,211.7	1,268.3
Services	41.3	40.1	262.9	268.0	477.3	526.5
Total all industries	689.2	717.7	3,374.0	3,237.3	6,443.0	6,245.2

	Prairie Provinces		British Columbia		Other		Total Canada	
	1976	1977p	1976	1977p	1976	1977p	1976	1977p
millions of dollars								
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	78.0	68.5	49.1	67.7	x	x	189.1	202.6
Mining	1,605.5	1,858.1	156.2	158.0	34.5	36.8	2,072.8	2,293.0
Manufacturing	922.4	808.4	610.3	674.9	15.6	15.5	5,823.4	5,581.9
Construction	303.7	341.3	108.8	118.4	18.7	7.2	1,034.5	1,013.6
Transportation, communication and other utilities	276.8	412.9	114.0	150.1	x	x	994.9	1,246.6
Wholesale trade	360.5	325.5	180.4	171.8	5.1	7.2	1,751.1	1,585.0
Retail trade	252.9	250.5	146.5	136.8	4.0	4.4	1,221.8	1,148.5
Finance	469.0	480.4	338.2	327.6	146.6	155.0	2,838.9	2,880.0
Services	231.5	274.2	144.7	160.1	6.8	15.0	1,164.4	1,283.9
Total all industries	4,500.2	4,821.7	1,848.0	1,965.5	236.3	247.4	17,090.8	17,235.1

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Further details will be contained in the 1976 edition of *Corporation Taxation Statistics* (61-208, \$2.10). Additional information, including preliminary 1977 provincial allocation of taxable income data, may be obtained upon request from L.A. Bowen (613-996-6190), Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Architects, 1977 (Revised)

Revised data show that in 1977 the 1,283 firms in Canada primarily engaged in the provision of architectural services reported gross fees of \$314.5 million.

For further information, contact Mrs. R. Bennett (613-996-9301), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 1, Summerfallow and Stubble, Area and Yield of Specified Crops, Prairie Provinces, 1978 — Available January 26, 1979 at 3 p.m. (22-002E, \$5.60 for series of 20)

Teachers in Universities, 1975-1976 (81-241, \$1.40)

Railway Operating Statistics, October 1978 (52-003, 30¢/\$3)

Oil Pipe Line Transport, October 1978 (55-001, 30¢/\$3)

Road and Street Length and Financing, 1975 (53-201, 70¢)

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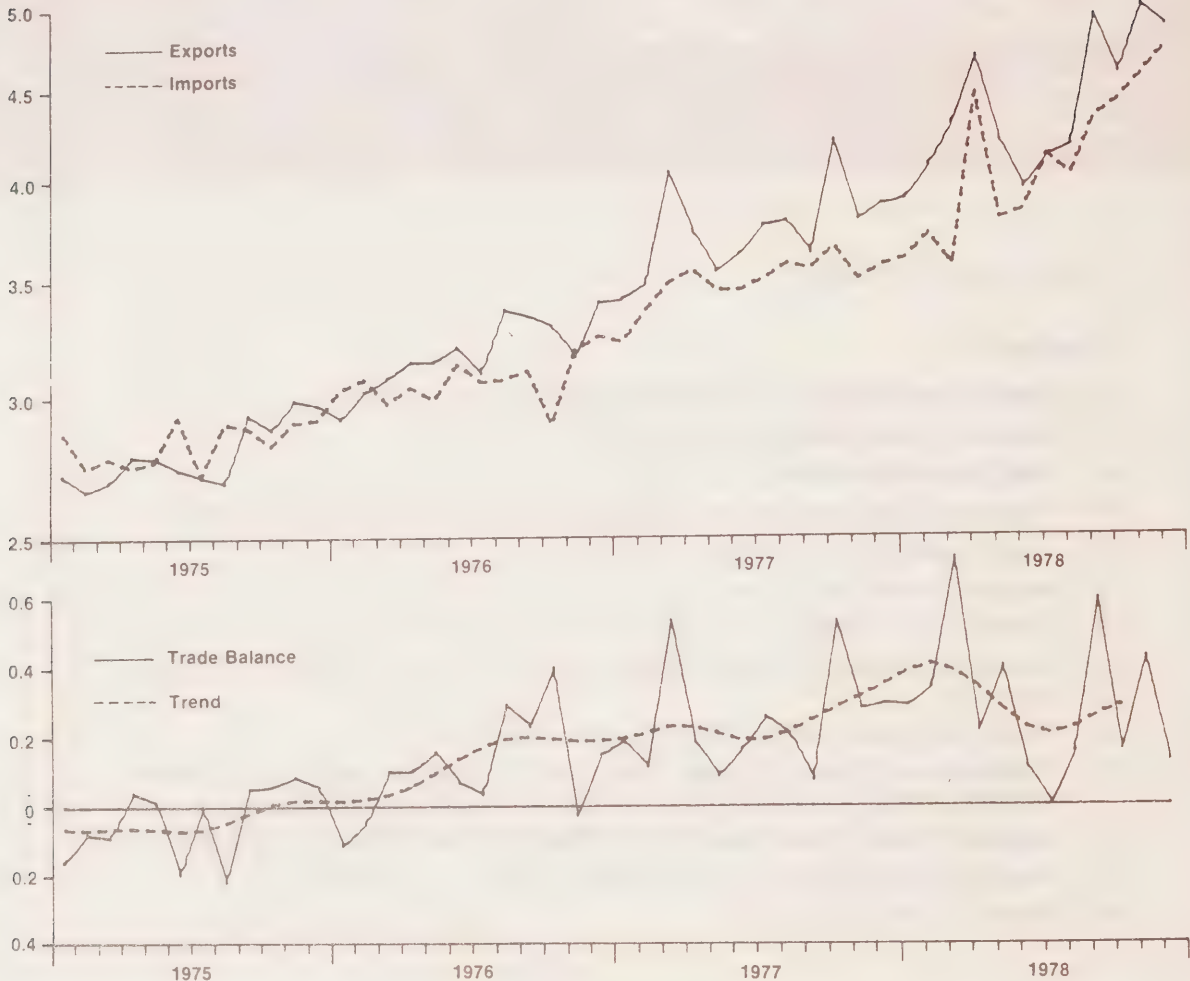
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Exports, Imports and Trade Balance: All Countries

Balance of Payments Basis (Seasonally Adjusted)

Billions of dollars



Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, December 1978

Fourth quarter 1978 exports on a seasonally adjusted balance-of-payments basis were up 9.3% compared with an increase of 10.2% for imports, a strong resurgence from the 3% gains shown in the third quarter. Canada's fourth quarter trade surplus of \$709 million was at about the same level as the surplus of \$746 million in the third quarter and \$726 million in the second quarter.

Seasonally adjusted exports declined 2.5% in December to \$4,828 million, while imports increased 3.7% to \$4,700 million. The resulting surplus of \$128 million for December compared with the revised surpluses of \$423 million in November and \$158 million in October.

For the year 1978, exports increased 17.2% to \$52.3 billion and imports rose 17% to \$48.8 billion. The surplus for the year of \$3.52 billion was up from \$2.92 billion in 1977 and \$1.34 billion in 1976.

Exports (Seasonally Adjusted), Commodity Analysis

The 2.5% decline in December exports was evident in all sections of trade. Deliveries of food, feed, beverages and tobacco were down 21%, a large contributor to the decline being wheat, which dropped 53% (shipping difficulties may have been partly responsible for the decline). End products were down 3.9% with the chief contributors being industrial machinery (down 5.2%), agricultural machinery (down 25%), motor vehicle parts (down 7%), other transportation equipment (down 36%), and communication equipment (down 9.4%); but passenger cars and trucks increased 6.4% and 16.5%, respectively. Crude and fabricated materials both declined less than 1% in December.

The 9.3% increase in fourth quarter exports was contributed to by all major sections apart from food, feed, beverages and tobacco, which was down 2%. As (continued on page 3)

Merchandise Trade of Canada

	Customs Basis*		Balance of Payments Basis*				Trade Balance
	Unadjusted		Unadjusted		Seasonally Adjusted		
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports (\$ millions)	Exports	Imports	
1977							
Third Quarter	10,608	9,910	10,627	9,869	11,116	10,579	537
Fourth Quarter	11,805	10,819	12,071	10,791	11,783	10,674	1,109
1978							
First Quarter	11,672	10,627	11,820	10,722	12,156	10,815	1,341
Second Quarter	13,876	13,460	13,573	12,987	12,729	12,004	725
Third Quarter	12,467	11,602	12,371	11,430	13,103	12,357	746
Fourth Quarter	14,591	13,916	14,548	13,651	14,324	13,614	710
1978							
January	3,508	3,189	3,695	3,463	3,866	3,579	287
February	4,096	3,901	3,809	3,516	4,034	3,694	340
March	4,069	3,537	4,316	3,743	4,256	3,542	714
April	4,650	4,686	4,343	4,343	4,643	4,428	215
May	4,667	4,392	4,690	4,331	4,167	3,768	399
June	4,559	4,382	4,540	4,313	3,919	3,808	111
July	3,905	3,854	3,871	3,815	4,084	4,083	1
August	3,928	3,752	3,860	3,689	4,135	3,982	153
September	4,634	3,996	4,640	3,926	4,884	4,292	592
October	4,738	4,783	4,803	4,689	4,541	4,383	158
November	5,266	4,882	5,224	4,794	4,955	4,532	423
December	4,587	4,251	4,521	4,168	4,828	4,699	129

*In the above table, export and import totals are shown on both a "customs" and a "balance-of-payments" basis. The figures on a customs basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts explained in Summary of External Trade. The figures on a balance-of-payments basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices. For more information about these adjustments, please refer to Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20).

(1) Revisions have been made to the adjustments for timing and gold transactions which affect the data on a balance of payments basis for the first nine months of 1978.

already noted, wheat exports declined heavily in December contributing to an 11% fourth quarter decline. But wheat exports for 1978 were 4.5% above 1977.

Fabricated materials, with an increase of 10.4%, contributed most to the over-all increase in fourth quarter exports. Significantly better than average increases were shown by: chemicals, up 25% in the fourth quarter and 51% in 1978; iron and steel, up 19% in the fourth quarter and 36% in 1978; lumber, up 15% in the fourth quarter and 35% in 1978; and non-ferrous metals, up 14% in the fourth and 31% in 1978. Newsprint exports were up 1.4% in the fourth quarter and 20% in 1978 and woodpulp was up 10% in the fourth quarter and 1% in 1978.

Crude material exports increased 7% in the fourth quarter and finished the year down less than 1% from 1977. Metallic ores and concentrates increased 15% in the fourth quarter to finish the year 13% below 1977. Crude oil exports increased 2.4% in the fourth quarter but in 1978 were down 10% from year-earlier levels. Natural gas exports declined between 1% and 3% in all four quarters of 1978 but were still up 8% from the 1977 level. Coal exports, which were highly variable in 1978, declined 33% in the fourth quarter, but were up 17% on 1977.

End product exports increased 6.2% in the fourth quarter, following steady increases in the first three quarters of 1978, and finished the year 23% up on 1977. Trucks and other motor vehicles increased 48% in the fourth quarter, and were 27% over 1977. Passenger cars declined 5.3% in the fourth quarter but were up 11% on 1977, and motor vehicle parts, including engines, increased 7.4% in the fourth quarter and 22.2% over 1977. Industrial machinery exports increased 3.3% in the fourth quarter and finished 31% above 1977. Communication equipment was up 7.8% in the fourth quarter and was up 36% on 1977.

Exports (Seasonally Adjusted), Customs Basis Trading Partner Analysis

Exports to the United States increased 3.1% in December following a 10.2% increase in November. Exports to all other principal trading areas declined in December. Exports to the U.S. accounted for 70.3% of total exports in 1978, up slightly from 69.9% in 1977.

Fourth quarter exports to the U.S. increased 7.8% following smaller increases of 3.4% and 3.9% in the third and second quarters to finish the year 19.2% (continued on page 5)

Table 1
Imports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1977							
Third Quarter	10,619.8	7,851.6	7,451.3	331.7	2,836.8	614.5	457.4
Fourth Quarter	10,702.3	7,793.2	7,456.3	321.3	2,924.7	578.9	481.3
1978							
First Quarter	11,043.0	8,131.9	7,708.2	348.3	2,986.5	697.3	508.6
Second Quarter	12,263.2	8,984.0	8,660.5	395.3	3,207.4	757.5	574.4
Third Quarter	12,583.9	9,223.2	8,957.2	405.6	3,221.1	706.4	628.4
Fourth Quarter	13,940.6	10,456.1	9,740.2	464.4	3,736.0	877.6	579.5
1978							
July	4,139.9	3,022.9	2,918.4	130.3	1,091.2	230.4	193.5
August	4,063.2	2,976.9	2,928.5	128.2	1,006.5	240.8	196.8
September	4,380.8	3,223.3	3,110.3	147.1	1,123.4	235.3	238.1
October	4,497.0	3,358.9	3,093.9	138.5	1,264.6	298.7	212.0
November	4,640.1	3,489.5	3,205.7	158.6	1,275.8	284.4	172.2
December	4,803.5	3,607.7	3,440.6	167.3	1,195.6	294.5	195.2
Percent changes							
December/November	3.5	3.3	7.3	5.5	-6.2	3.5	13.3
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	10.7	13.3	8.7	14.4	15.9	24.2	-7.7
Dec. 78/Dec. 77	35.0	39.5	40.3	57.3	19.6	51.5	19.1

Table 2
Imports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Oct. 1978	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Oct. 1977	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	3,075.5	3,508.6	3,407.0	2,367.0	2,654.2	2,678.8	29.9	32.1	27.1
United Kingdom	135.3	154.1	152.1	99.0	104.3	108.7	36.5	47.8	39.9
Other E.E.C.	251.3	289.0	301.6	195.6	188.6	190.2	28.5	53.2	58.5
Japan	171.6	187.6	236.3	163.1	165.3	174.2	5.2	13.5	35.6
Other O.E.C.D.	112.5	165.3	128.5	139.4	88.7	102.5	-19.2	86.4	25.3
Other America	207.3	219.2	236.2	174.8	205.6	195.9	18.6	6.5	20.5
Other Countries	297.1	358.3	321.7	351.3	212.3	259.9	-15.4	68.7	23.7
All Countries	4,250.6	4,882.1	4,783.4	3,490.2	3,619.0	3,710.2	21.7	34.9	28.9
	Year-to-Date						Dec.-Dec. Percent Changes		
	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	78/77	77/76	
United States	34,996.2	31,920.7	29,630.2	27,263.1	25,751.7	23,557.6	18.1	15.0	
United Kingdom	1,595.5	1,460.2	1,281.4	1,182.4	1,149.7	1,066.1	24.5	11.4	
Other E.E.C.	3,009.5	2,758.2	2,357.7	2,162.2	1,991.0	1,829.3	27.6	18.4	
Japan	2,263.2	2,091.6	1,802.8	1,639.7	1,523.9	1,392.0	25.5	18.3	
Other O.E.C.D.	1,455.9	1,343.4	1,256.0	1,116.6	1,231.2	1,109.4	15.9	2.0	
Other America	2,529.3	2,322.0	2,452.4	2,277.7	2,057.3	1,917.8	3.1	19.2	
Other Countries	3,756.2	3,459.1	3,375.4	3,024.0	3,739.6	3,496.1	11.2	-9.7	
All Countries	49,605.8	45,355.2	42,155.9	38,665.7	37,444.4	34,368.3	17.6	12.5	

Table 3

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Oct. 1978	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Oct. 1977	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	6.8	9.6	5.7	3.3	4.9	4.2	107.4	95.4	33.3
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	286.5	359.0	369.6	288.7	270.1	295.9	-0.7	32.9	24.8
Meat and fish	43.5	56.7	59.1	46.1	44.8	53.1	-5.5	26.6	11.3
Fruits and vegetables	103.7	106.2	117.4	92.1	80.6	97.9	12.6	31.7	19.9
Raw sugar	13.2	32.3	23.5	31.9	18.5	15.9	-58.4	74.3	47.2
Crude Materials, Inedible	486.9	619.7	529.4	461.7	384.3	452.2	5.4	61.2	17.0
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	47.4	66.3	75.5	47.3	39.1	54.6	0.2	69.6	38.2
Coal	72.3	107.5	97.0	38.9	56.9	91.7	85.7	88.8	5.7
Crude petroleum	272.8	349.3	262.9	305.4	219.0	233.1	-10.6	59.5	12.7
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	723.2	887.1	863.7	588.7	607.2	618.6	22.8	46.1	39.6
Wood and paper	60.3	72.3	71.8	52.1	57.7	59.0	15.6	25.2	21.7
Textiles	92.3	102.1	94.9	72.5	71.2	77.5	27.2	43.4	22.5
Chemicals	202.7	239.5	232.2	155.9	168.4	165.6	29.9	42.2	40.2
Iron and steel	93.7	125.9	99.3	83.9	82.7	79.7	11.5	52.3	24.5
Bars and rods, steel	11.3	15.1	13.2	10.9	9.7	7.7	3.8	56.0	71.7
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	31.2	45.6	37.0	27.9	27.5	24.4	11.8	66.1	51.6
Non-ferrous metals	90.0	119.0	122.4	58.1	55.6	53.1	54.9	113.9	130.3
End Products, Inedible	2,608.6	2,973.1	2,983.0	2,109.1	2,316.5	2,307.2	23.6	28.3	29.2
General purpose machinery	148.4	165.0	164.6	124.7	126.2	124.7	19.0	30.6	31.9
Special industry machinery	204.3	228.8	228.6	156.9	156.1	175.4	30.1	46.5	30.2
Machine tools, metalworking	21.9	20.5	18.5	12.5	13.6	14.6	75.3	50.8	26.7
Agricultural machinery and tractors	107.9	139.4	114.5	96.0	91.1	99.3	12.3	53.0	15.3
Transportation equipment	1,274.6	1,488.4	1,421.5	1,000.0	1,221.2	1,138.1	27.4	21.8	24.9
Passenger automobiles and chassis	336.6	332.5	413.0	275.6	308.4	355.8	22.1	7.8	16.0
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	117.8	145.8	141.8	73.6	86.8	86.7	60.1	67.9	63.6
Other motor vehicles	25.8	39.6	38.1	30.5	25.9	25.9	-15.4	52.6	46.8
Motor vehicle engines	76.2	97.4	78.5	45.4	60.2	49.8	67.7	61.8	57.6
Motor vehicle engine parts	40.6	69.3	54.2	59.3	73.4	62.1	-31.5	-5.6	-12.7
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	518.6	632.5	564.6	427.3	585.3	470.0	21.3	8.0	20.1
Aircraft, complete with engines	58.8	62.3	20.6	10.4	5.6	6.7	466.4	...	204.6
Other equipment and tools	470.8	533.5	579.6	394.8	403.4	409.5	19.2	32.2	41.5
Electronic computers	74.4	77.0	90.3	54.4	51.7	45.1	36.7	48.8	100.3
Special Transactions, Trade	138.6	33.7	32.1	38.8	36.0	31.8	257.3	-6.4	0.8
Total	4,250.6	4,882.1	4,783.4	3,490.2	3,619.0	3,710.2	21.7	34.9	28.9

above 1977. This marked the third consecutive year of strong growth in exports to the U.S., after increases of 19.8% in 1977 and 19.3% in 1976.

Exports to the United Kingdom were down slightly in the fourth quarter following a 10% decline in the third and finished the year 2.7% above 1977. Exports to the other European Economic Community countries were up 22% in the fourth quarter after declines of 3% and 2% in the third and second quarters, respectively. The increase over 1977 was 5%. Exports to Japan increased 4.0% in the fourth quarter and were up 21.4% for the whole of 1978 compared with 1977.

Imports (Seasonally Adjusted), Commodity Analysis

The 3.7% increase in December imports was mostly caused by a 4.5% growth in end product imports. End products accounted for 62% of total imports in 1978. Automotive imports, which accounted for 37% of end products imports in 1978, increased 5.1% — passenger car imports were up 36% in December after a decline of 20%, while motor vehicle parts, including engines, declined 3%. Industrial machinery imports declined slightly, following a 6.4% increase in November.

Fabricated materials which accounted for 17.6% of 1978 imports, increased 2% in December. Imports of crude materials which accounted for 12% of 1978 imports declined 14%. The most important contributor to the decline was a 39% decrease in crude petroleum imports, following a 56% increase in November.

Food, feed, beverages and tobacco imports declined 5.7% in December.

All major sections of trade contributed to the 10.2% increase in fourth quarter imports. End products increased 7.5% in the fourth quarter, following a 1.7% increase in the third quarter and 13.8% increase in the second, closing the year 17.7% above 1977, in line with the rise of 17% in total imports. Automotive imports increased 5% in the fourth quarter, rebounding from 2.2% growth in the third quarter and finished the year 14.3% above 1977. Passenger cars were down 8.3% in the fourth quarter, following a 7.4% increase in the third and finished the year 13% above the level for 1977. The decline in passenger cars was counterbalan-

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Table 3 (Continued)
Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Year-to-Date						Dec.-Dec. Percent Changes	
	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	78 77	77 76
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	80.2	73.4	52.2	48.9	108.6	104.2	53.8	-51.9
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	3,688.4	3,401.9	3,255.6	2,966.9	2,762.4	2,516.1	13.2	17.8
Meat and fish	599.0	555.5	533.6	487.5	545.8	497.5	12.2	-2.2
Fruits and vegetables	1,250.8	1,147.1	1,038.7	946.6	860.8	783.2	20.4	20.6
Raw sugar	200.6	187.4	219.9	188.0	248.6	225.9	-8.7	-11.5
Crude Materials, Inedible	5,853.8	5,366.8	5,305.8	4,844.2	5,091.1	4,751.2	10.3	4.2
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	694.3	646.9	526.3	479.0	424.4	376.5	31.9	24.0
Coal	630.2	557.9	617.7	578.7	544.3	502.2	2.0	13.4
Crude petroleum	3,446.5	3,173.7	3,209.5	2,904.1	3,280.1	3,106.5	7.3	-2.1
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	8,734.8	8,011.6	6,998.9	6,410.2	6,210.9	5,719.0	24.8	12.6
Wood and paper	780.3	720.1	685.6	633.5	736.4	687.9	13.8	-6.8
Textiles	1,068.7	976.4	889.8	817.3	840.7	776.1	20.1	5.8
Chemicals	2,595.8	2,393.2	1,998.2	1,842.3	1,681.7	1,548.4	29.9	18.8
Iron and steel	1,090.0	996.4	869.4	785.5	721.9	662.9	25.3	20.4
Bars and rods, steel	134.1	122.8	104.9	94.0	90.7	82.9	27.8	15.6
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	376.6	345.4	269.8	242.0	206.4	191.1	39.5	30.7
Non-ferrous metals	797.5	707.5	531.1	473.0	493.5	443.7	50.1	7.6
End Products, Inedible	30,752.6	28,144.0	26,122.2	24,013.1	22,776.1	20,819.2	17.7	14.6
General purpose machinery	1,765.7	1,617.3	1,429.4	1,304.7	1,306.4	1,204.8	23.5	9.4
Special industry machinery	2,497.3	2,293.0	2,063.4	1,906.5	1,905.8	1,757.8	21.0	8.2
Machine tools, metalworking	217.9	195.9	169.4	156.9	145.6	132.7	28.6	16.3
Agricultural machinery and tractors	1,502.6	1,394.7	1,334.9	1,238.9	1,317.8	1,216.5	12.5	1.3
Transportation equipment	14,489.9	13,215.3	12,495.7	11,495.7	10,359.2	9,408.5	15.9	20.6
Passenger automobiles and chassis	3,784.5	3,447.9	3,349.8	3,074.2	2,800.3	2,536.2	12.9	19.6
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	1,219.0	1,101.1	1,009.5	936.0	838.6	766.2	20.7	20.3
Other motor vehicles	375.1	349.3	342.4	311.9	336.5	311.2	9.5	1.7
Motor vehicle engines	808.0	731.8	545.3	499.9	508.0	472.2	48.1	7.3
Motor vehicle engines parts	707.6	667.0	691.1	631.8	460.9	410.9	2.3	49.9
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	6,128.4	5,609.8	5,458.1	5,030.7	4,455.3	4,035.4	12.2	22.5
Aircraft, complete with engines	254.9	196.1	89.4	79.0	110.4	93.4	185.0	-19.0
Other equipment and tools	5,728.4	5,257.7	4,659.7	4,264.9	4,142.7	3,787.1	22.9	12.4
Electronic computers	842.6	768.1	558.8	504.4	428.3	389.1	50.7	30.4
Special Transactions, Trade	496.1	357.5	421.2	382.4	495.3	458.6	17.7	-14.9
Total	49,605.8	45,355.2	42,155.9	38,665.7	37,444.4	34,368.3	17.6	12.5

ced by the strong growth in fourth quarter imports of trucks and other motor vehicles — up 50% following an 8.3% decline in the third quarter. For the year 1978, trucks and other motor vehicles were up 18% on 1977. Parts imports increased 4% in the fourth quarter and were 14% above the previous year. Industrial machinery imports increased 11.6% in the fourth quarter and for the year 1978 were 22% above 1977. Other substantial increases in fourth quarter end product imports were 32% for other transportation equipment (up 36% on 1977), and a 15% increase in apparel and footwear (up 12% on 1977).

Fabricated material imports increased 13% in the fourth quarter and were up 25% on a year-over-year-basis. Chemicals, the largest commodity in this area, increased 11.6% in the fourth quarter and were 30% up on 1977.

Crude material imports increased 22.4% in the fourth quarter, the strongest fourth quarter growth of any major section, and finished the year 10.3% above 1977. Crude petroleum imports, which declined 13% and

11% in the first and second quarters respectively, increased 26% in the third quarter and 30% in the fourth to finish the year 7.3% above 1977.

Food, feed, beverages and tobacco imports increased 1% in the fourth quarter and were up 13% over-all on 1977. Fruit and vegetable imports increased 2.2% in the fourth quarter, following a decline of 7% in the third and finished the year 20.4% above 1977.

Imports (Seasonally Adjusted), Customs Basis Trading Partner Analysis

Imports from the U.S. increased 7.3% in December and accounted for 70.5% of 1978 imports, little changed from the 1977 share of 70.3%.

Fourth quarter imports from the U.S. increased 8.7% and finished the year 18% above 1977. Imports from the U.K. increased 14.5% in the fourth quarter and were up 25% on the year in contrast to the 2.7% growth in Canada's exports to the U.K. Imports from other E.E.C. (continued on page 8)

Table 4
Total Exports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs Basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	Total excluding cars and wheat	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1977								
Third Quarter	11,097.6	8,775.0	8,233.2	7,831.3	498.3	2,768.0	694.6	629.1
Fourth Quarter	11,516.7	8,690.4	8,220.7	8,173.5	476.2	2,867.0	673.4	615.0
1978								
First Quarter	12,380.5	9,607.9	9,200.7	8,698.8	513.2	3,168.5	711.8	693.8
Second Quarter	12,771.0	9,839.6	9,370.2	9,035.8	532.0	3,203.2	697.9	753.6
Third Quarter	13,233.3	10,175.5	9,650.8	9,341.2	479.7	3,412.4	674.5	812.3
Fourth Quarter	14,404.3	10,941.6	10,408.6	10,065.5	478.8	3,860.0	822.4	844.7
1978								
July	4,128.6	3,085.0	2,958.6	2,998.9	156.5	973.2	192.0	229.0
August	4,213.1	3,236.2	3,093.3	3,074.2	157.9	981.0	228.0	241.9
September	4,891.5	3,854.3	3,598.9	3,268.1	165.3	1,458.1	254.6	341.4
October	4,487.8	3,367.8	3,153.6	3,109.1	143.0	1,235.7	261.2	211.3
November	5,009.8	3,872.0	3,652.7	3,425.1	198.9	1,385.8	294.9	353.1
December	4,906.6	3,701.7	3,602.3	3,531.3	136.9	1,238.4	266.3	280.3
Percent changes								
December/November	-2.0	-4.3	-1.3	3.1	-31.1	-10.6	-9.7	-20.6
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	8.8	7.5	7.8	7.7	-0.1	13.1	21.9	3.9
Dec. 78/Dec. 77	28.1	26.7	30.1	27.5	-18.0	38.5	13.3	46.6

Table 5
Total Exports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Oct. 1978	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Oct. 1977	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	3,306.7	3,597.7	3,338.6	2,842.0	2,755.8	2,870.0	16.3	30.5	16.3
United Kingdom	137.6	177.5	149.4	200.0	120.6	171.6	-31.1	47.1	-12.9
Other E.E.C.	283.5	311.8	281.2	282.3	208.7	251.0	0.4	49.4	12.0
Japan	217.4	336.9	230.3	179.0	162.8	230.9	21.4	106.8	-0.2
Other O.E.C.D.	92.0	130.5	101.8	117.1	70.8	94.2	-21.4	84.3	8.1
Other America	173.0	286.3	218.0	179.9	149.3	174.0	-3.8	91.8	25.3
Other Countries	376.5	425.0	418.9	289.0	201.5	254.7	30.3	110.9	64.4
All Countries	4,586.7	5,265.7	4,738.2	4,089.3	3,669.5	4,046.4	12.1	43.5	17.1
	Year-to-Date						Dec.-Dec. Percent Changes		
	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	78/77	77/76	
United States	37,006.2	33,699.4	31,026.6	28,184.6	25,893.9	23,563.1	19.2	19.8	
United Kingdom	1,999.5	1,861.9	1,946.3	1,746.3	1,877.9	1,731.0	2.7	3.6	
Other E.E.C.	2,903.3	2,619.7	2,769.2	2,486.9	2,698.8	2,464.4	4.8	2.6	
Japan	3,056.8	2,839.4	2,518.0	2,338.9	2,396.5	2,200.2	21.4	5.0	
Other O.E.C.D.	1,188.9	1,097.0	1,221.3	1,104.2	1,069.8	985.5	-2.6	14.1	
Other America	2,452.3	2,279.4	1,927.9	1,747.9	1,796.1	1,667.0	27.2	7.3	
Other Countries	3,998.0	3,621.5	2,966.3	2,677.3	2,663.5	2,404.4	34.7	11.3	
All Countries	52,605.0	48,018.3	44,375.6	40,286.1	38,396.5	35,015.6	18.5	15.5	

Table 6
Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Oct. 1978	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Oct. 1977	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	21.5	25.6	17.1	17.8	17.9	19.1	20.3	43.2	-10.7
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	401.0	574.0	466.2	456.2	328.3	387.4	-12.0	74.8	20.3
Meat and fish	105.5	158.0	146.9	94.2	67.6	93.2	12.0	133.8	57.6
Cereals and preparations	197.4	308.0	224.2	268.7	177.5	192.3	-26.5	73.4	16.6
Wheat	108.2	249.4	174.9	192.2	126.7	144.3	-43.7	96.7	21.1
Crude Materials, Inedible	820.0	837.0	716.6	808.0	708.5	750.7	1.4	18.1	-4.5
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	224.5	249.5	207.9	233.5	196.0	264.1	-3.8	27.3	-21.2
Crude petroleum	159.5	139.6	114.7	154.3	140.2	151.1	3.3	-0.4	-24.0
Natural gas	200.1	173.3	165.1	205.8	200.8	158.3	-2.7	-13.7	4.3
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,508.1	1,788.5	1,670.3	1,351.0	1,183.7	1,377.4	11.6	51.0	21.2
Wood and paper	746.6	864.4	827.3	686.8	594.0	741.5	8.7	45.5	11.5
Lumber, softwood	227.1	286.8	291.1	194.6	168.4	225.3	16.6	70.2	29.2
Wood pulp and similar pulp	198.5	215.1	182.1	169.7	150.2	195.8	17.0	43.2	-7.0
Newsprint paper	222.3	247.8	237.4	225.3	207.9	244.1	-1.3	19.1	-2.7
Textiles	11.8	14.5	14.6	9.7	8.1	9.9	20.9	80.2	47.9
Chemicals	216.1	223.7	244.5	147.2	149.7	155.0	46.7	49.4	57.7
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	74.6	61.0	56.4	43.5	49.8	47.6	71.4	22.5	18.5
Petroleum and coal products	68.6	99.9	45.2	63.9	47.5	54.1	7.3	110.4	-16.4
Iron and steel	122.2	147.4	125.8	97.5	89.8	93.4	25.3	64.2	34.6
Non-ferrous metals	228.5	291.1	273.4	228.0	196.9	227.6	0.2	47.8	20.1
Copper and alloys	25.2	37.7	45.1	42.7	33.5	58.1	-40.9	12.5	-22.3
Nickel and alloys	11.1	18.6	16.9	54.6	45.1	27.7	-79.5	-58.7	-39.1
End Products, Inedible	1,686.4	1,928.7	1,762.5	1,375.8	1,369.8	1,411.8	22.5	40.8	24.8
Industrial machinery	134.6	141.7	131.8	110.5	76.0	103.8	21.7	86.3	27.0
Agricultural machinery and tractors	44.7	57.1	53.6	40.2	34.5	54.1	11.2	65.1	-0.9
Transportation equipment	1,248.8	1,429.7	1,287.4	984.9	1,080.5	1,045.0	26.7	32.3	23.2
Passenger automobiles and chassis	451.2	480.9	486.1	368.6	413.8	342.6	22.3	16.2	41.9
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	282.5	322.3	271.1	210.1	250.2	245.5	34.5	28.8	10.4
Other motor vehicles	22.3	18.1	23.1	25.0	23.6	14.6	-10.5	-23.0	57.4
Motor vehicle engines and parts	87.3	108.9	84.5	65.8	88.1	86.3	32.6	23.7	-2.1
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	293.4	352.1	330.5	238.7	247.7	267.0	22.9	42.1	23.7
Other equipment and tools	117.7	127.9	126.5	99.1	78.1	88.5	18.7	63.6	42.9
Special transactions, Trade	59.3	23.1	13.0	4.5	3.3	9.3	...	593.0	39.1
Total	4,496.2	5,176.9	4,645.6	4,013.2	3,611.5	3,955.7	12.0	43.3	17.4

countries increased 24% in the fourth quarter and were 27.6% above the year-earlier level, again in contrast to an increase of 5% in exports to other E.E.C. countries in 1978. (Exchange rate movements against the Canadian dollar have of course played an important part in the disparate growth rates between imports and exports). Imports from Japan declined 8% in the fourth quarter and finished the year 26% above 1977 levels. Exports to Japan increased 21.4% in 1978, more in line with the growth in imports, in spite of the substantial depreciation of the Canadian dollar against the Japanese yen.

For further information on area and commodity trade, order the December issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

1979 Trade Statement Release Dates

Following are release dates for the monthly Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade published in the *Daily*

Statistical Month	Publication Date
January 1979	March 6, 1979, Tuesday
February 1979	April 2, 1979, Monday
March 1979	May 4, 1979, Friday
April 1979	June 1, 1979, Friday
May 1979	July 5, 1979, Thursday
June 1979	August 3, 1979, Friday
July 1979	September 4, 1979, Tuesday
August 1979	October 4, 1979, Thursday
September 1979	November 1, 1979, Thursday
October 1979	December 4, 1979, Tuesday
November 1979	January 8, 1980, Tuesday
December 1979	February 1, 1980, Friday

Table 6 (Continued)

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Year-to-Date						Dec.-Dec. Percent Changes	
	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	78/77	77/76
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	213.4	192.0	151.3	133.4	134.0	120.6	41.1	12.8
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	5,072.0	4,671.0	4,394.5	3,938.4	4,141.1	3,783.2	15.4	6.1
Meat and fish	1,407.2	1,301.7	1,013.9	919.7	791.2	736.9	38.7	28.1
Cereals and preparations	2,645.3	2,447.9	2,424.8	2,156.2	2,590.4	2,372.6	9.0	-6.3
Wheat	1,910.3	1,802.2	1,826.8	1,634.5	1,719.7	1,590.3	4.5	6.2
Crude Materials, Inedible	8,809.4	7,989.4	8,849.8	8,041.8	8,274.0	7,580.7	-0.4	6.9
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	2,379.6	2,155.1	2,729.8	2,496.2	2,501.3	2,317.4	-12.8	9.1
Crude petroleum	1,577.8	1,418.3	1,750.6	1,596.3	2,286.7	2,120.2	-9.8	-23.4
Natural gas	2,190.5	1,990.3	2,028.1	1,822.2	1,616.5	1,469.5	8.0	25.4
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	18,873.2	17,365.2	14,924.8	13,573.8	12,189.1	11,187.8	26.4	22.4
Wood and paper	9,395.5	8,648.9	7,750.0	7,063.2	6,434.7	5,891.1	21.2	20.4
Lumber, softwood	3,149.3	2,922.2	2,338.6	2,144.0	1,610.6	1,465.9	34.6	45.2
Woodpulp and similar pulp	2,176.2	1,977.6	2,156.0	1,986.3	2,181.1	2,008.8	0.9	-1.1
Newsprint paper	2,866.7	2,644.4	2,381.3	2,156.0	2,001.1	1,822.0	20.3	19.0
Textiles	148.5	136.7	111.0	101.3	101.2	92.6	33.7	9.7
Chemicals	2,362.8	2,146.7	1,738.6	1,591.4	1,383.2	1,274.9	35.9	25.6
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	737.5	662.9	659.0	615.5	547.2	507.5	11.9	20.4
Petroleum and coal products	772.8	704.2	649.1	585.2	559.0	513.8	19.0	16.1
Iron and steel	1,425.1	1,302.9	1,046.5	949.0	840.9	781.8	36.1	24.4
Non-ferrous metals	3,267.0	3,038.5	2,495.3	2,267.3	2,149.8	1,978.5	30.9	16.0
Copper and alloys	509.2	484.0	522.0	479.3	525.9	486.0	-2.4	-0.7
Nickel and alloys	564.6	553.4	436.9	382.3	444.3	399.3	29.2	-1.6
End Products, Inedible	18,538.8	16,852.4	15,117.2	13,741.5	12,708.0	11,478.4	22.6	18.9
Industrial machinery	1,526.4	1,391.8	1,164.3	1,053.8	891.0	798.3	31.1	30.6
Agricultural machinery and tractors	605.3	560.6	558.9	518.7	539.8	490.0	8.3	3.5
Transportation equipment	13,500.0	12,251.1	11,224.3	10,239.4	9,228.4	8,334.1	20.2	21.6
Passenger automobiles and chassis	4,887.8	4,436.7	4,412.8	4,044.1	3,686.1	3,323.1	10.7	19.7
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	2,667.9	2,385.4	2,113.4	1,903.3	1,410.5	1,273.1	26.2	49.8
Other motor vehicles	256.5	234.2	194.2	169.3	161.0	149.0	32.0	20.6
Motor vehicle engines and parts	1,061.8	974.5	944.9	879.1	776.7	690.5	12.3	21.6
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	3,360.3	3,066.9	2,673.7	2,435.0	2,189.5	1,999.0	25.6	22.1
Other equipment and tools	1,256.5	1,138.8	932.7	833.6	836.1	749.7	34.7	11.5
Special Transactions, Trade	174.5	115.2	68.2	63.7	129.6	124.8	155.9	-47.3
Total	51,681.4	47,185.2	43,505.8	39,492.6	37,575.7	34,275.5	18.7	15.7

Mineral Production, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian mineral production for November and for 1978 to date, with comparable 1977 figures in brackets:

- Gold, 136,635 troy ounces (148,114) — 1,522,086 troy ounces (1,557,588).
- Silver, 3,699,735 troy ounces (3,957,918) — 36,751,225 troy ounces (41,186,901).
- Primary copper, 40,717 short tons (72,199) — 659,394 short tons (802,648).
- Primary nickel, 5,692 short tons (20,522) — 131,928 short tons (236,241).
- Refined lead, 20,247 short tons (19,450) — 196,163 short tons (189,199).
- Refined zinc, 53,594 short tons (39,736) — 489,475 short tons (507,817).

For further information, order the November issue of: *Gold Production* (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50); *Silver, Lead and Zinc Production* (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50); and *Copper and Nickel Production* (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

December 1978 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Dec. 1977	% Change	
				Dec. 78 Nov. 78	Dec. 78 Dec. 77
Canada, Total	199.6	199.6	180.1	—	10.8
Materials	192.4	192.6	169.2	-0.1	13.7
Labour	212.6	212.2	199.6	0.2	6.5
Atlantic Provinces, Total	208.7	206.5	190.0	1.1	9.8
Materials	191.3	190.8	172.0	0.3	9.8
Labour	238.9	233.6	221.2	2.3	11.2
Quebec, Total	205.2	205.7	182.0	-0.2	12.7
Materials	201.6	202.3	174.2	-0.3	15.7
Labour	212.0	212.0	196.8	—	7.7
Ontario, Total	193.3	193.7	174.4	-0.2	10.8
Materials	187.8	188.4	164.7	-0.3	14.0
Labour	202.7	202.7	191.0	—	6.1
Prairie Provinces, Total	206.9	206.5	190.1	0.2	8.8
Materials	192.4	192.1	173.6	0.2	10.8
Labour	235.0	234.3	222.1	0.3	5.8
British Columbia, Total	199.4	198.8	180.2	0.3	10.7
Materials	193.4	192.5	170.2	0.5	13.6
Labour	210.1	210.1	197.8	—	6.2

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Real Domestic Product, November 1978

The seasonally-adjusted index of real domestic product (1971=100) increased 0.6% to 135.9 in November from 135.1 in October. The index of industrial production advanced 0.5% in November. Goods-producing industries were up 0.3% while service-producing industries rose 0.9%.

In goods-producing industries, forestry, fishing and trapping, manufacturing, utilities and agriculture all showed increases while mining and construction declined. The increase in forestry was the fourth consecutive monthly gain, and reflected the continuing favorable markets for Canadian wood products. Output levels for the August-November 1978 period were about 17% higher than the same period in 1977. In manufacturing, both non-durable and durable manufacturing industries recorded significant advances during November. Manufacturers of food and beverages, rubber and plastic products, textiles and clothing reported increases, while output of pulp and paper mills, and printing and publishing establishments declined. In durable manufacturing, manufacturers of primary metals, transportation equipment and electrical products registered gains during the month. Mining output fell slightly in November, with metal mines down significantly due to several strikes, while production of mineral fuels rose sharply. Construction activity declined, with most of the decrease originating in residential building.

In service-producing industries, transportation, storage and communication, trade, finance, insurance and real estate, and community, business and personal services all posted increases. Public administration and defence services were unchanged from the October level. The most significant increase occurred in finance, insurance and real estate services where output of security brokers and dealers (including

exchanges) advanced sharply as the result of a major stock issue in November. In transportation, storage and communication services, gains were recorded in air and railway transport and communication services. Activity in grain elevators declined for the third consecutive month, as the grain handling system continued to be plagued by problems such as slow shipments, the temporary closure of several west coast elevators, lower than normal rates of railway car unloading and low stocks of grains in eastern elevators. A moderate gain in trade resulted from increases in both wholesale and retail trade. Wholesalers of petroleum products reported the most significant increase in wholesale trade. In retail trade, food stores, department stores, clothing, and drug stores registered advances, the most significant of which was department stores at 5%. New motor vehicles dealers, hardware stores, and furniture, television, radio and appliance stores declined significantly in November. Community, business and personal services were up slightly, with increases in education, health and welfare, and personal services while accommodation and food services declined. Public administration and defence services declined for the fourth consecutive month, with decreases in both federal and provincial administration services.

For further information, order the November issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (Including the Index of Industrial Production* (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

New Housing Price Indexes

(1976=100)

	Weights	December 1978	November 1978	December 1977	% change	
					Dec./78 Nov./78	Dec./78 Dec./77
St. John's	1.0	101.7	101.7	101.7	—	—
Halifax	1.7	102.3	102.2	102.2	0.1	0.1
Quebec	3.6	124.2	123.3	114.7	0.7	8.3
Montreal	9.5	109.2	109.2	106.4	—	2.6
Ottawa-Hull	5.7	101.5	101.5	102.6	—	-1.1
Toronto	21.2	99.9	99.5	99.7	0.4	0.2
Hamilton	4.2	103.6	103.6	104.2	—	-0.6
St. Catharines-Niagara	2.3	114.6	114.6	110.8	—	3.4
Kitchener	2.9	102.9	102.9	101.1	—	1.8
London	2.4	111.1	111.1	107.4	—	3.4
Windsor	1.0	123.1	122.2	110.6	0.7	11.3
Thunder Bay	0.9	117.8	117.8	113.1	—	4.2
Winnipeg	3.7	110.2	110.4	107.1	-0.2	2.9
Regina	2.3	99.7	99.7	98.4	—	1.3
Saskatoon	1.9	115.5	114.6	109.4	0.8	5.6
Calgary	9.9	119.6	119.0	107.7	0.5	11.0
Edmonton	9.8	119.0	119.0	108.5	—	9.7
Vancouver	10.6	97.6	98.1	97.1	-0.5	0.5
Victoria	1.9	95.2	95.4	96.2	-0.2	-1.0
Canada Composite (22 cities)	100.0*	107.6	107.4	103.8	0.2	3.7

For further details on the changes in these indexes, contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Annual averages for 1978 are now available for these indexes.

Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

November 1978 — Advance Information

	Domestic		Export		Total	
	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Ingots and semi-finished shapes	38,220	34 672	18,675	16 942	56,895	51 614
Rails	11,899	10 796	7,973	7 233	19,872	18 029
Wire rods	74,865	67 916	30,799	27 940	105,664	95 856
Structural shapes:						
Heavy	62,248	56 469	14,106	12 796	76,354	69 265
Bar-sized shapes	19,180	17 401	2,347	2 129	21,527	19 530
Concrete reinforcing bars	55,629	50 466	20	18	55,649	50 484
Other hot rolled bars	101,765	92 319	12,955	11 752	114,720	104 071
Tie plates and track material	3,706	3 363	270	245	3,976	3 608
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes)	134,698	122 196	19,129	17 354	153,827	139 550
Hot rolled sheets and strip	218,188	197 936	15,557	14 113	233,745	212 049
Cold finished bars	9,996	9 070	315	286	10,311	9 356
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled						
other, coated	183,406	166 382	17,908	16 246	201,314	182 628
Galvanized sheets	87,961	79 799	14,887	13 505	102,848	93 304
Total	1,001,761	908 785	154,941	140 559	1,156,702	1 049 344

*Producers' shipments excluding producers' interchange.

For further information, order the November issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001 40¢ \$4), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day Period Ended January 14, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,429,709	2,085,700	4,515,409
Short tons, 1978	2,002,953	1,891,236	3,894,189
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 204 195	1 892 115	4 096 310
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 817 048	1 715 700	3 532 748
% change	21.3	10.3	16.0
Cars, 1979	38,939	30,681	69,620
Cars, 1978	32,970	29,617	62,587
% change	18.1	3.6	11.2
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	167,148	62,487	229,635
Short tons, 1978	157,333	60,740	218,073
Metric tonnes, 1979	151 634	56 687	208 321
Metric tonnes, 1978	142 730	55 102	197 832
% change	6.2	2.9	5.3
Cars, 1979	4,880	2,332	7,212
Cars, 1978	4,631	2,480	7,111
% change	5.4	-6.0	1.4
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	4,190,806	3,540,132	7,730,938
Short tons, 1978	3,785,718	3,200,359	6,986,077
Metric tonnes, 1979	3 801 835	3 211 554	7 013 389
Metric tonnes, 1978	3 434 346	2 903 317	6 337 663
% change	10.7	10.6	10.7
Cars, 1979	65,837	51,984	117,821
Cars, 1978	60,566	49,632	110,198
% change	8.7	4.7	6.9
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	274,902	106,563	381,465
Short tons, 1978	269,264	98,585	367,849
Metric tonnes, 1979	249 387	96 672	346 059
Metric tonnes, 1978	244 272	89 435	333 707
% change	2.1	8.1	3.7
Cars, 1979	8,184	4,021	12,205
Cars, 1978	7,941	4,042	11,983
% change	3.1	-0.5	1.8

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended January 14, 1979
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Twenty-three common carrier railways operating in Canada loaded 4.1 million t (4.5 million short tons) of revenue freight in the above-noted period, an increase of 16.0% over the corresponding 1978 period. Tonnage increased by 21.3% in the East and 10.3% in the West.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments (included above) rose 6.2% in the East and 2.9% in the West to register an over-all increase of 5.3%.

Rail freight loadings in the first two weeks of 1979 aggregated 7.0 million t (7.7 million short tons), up 10.7% from the same period in 1978. The total number

of railway cars loaded in Canada was up 6.9% to 117,821 and the average weight per car increased 3.5%. Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic was 3.7% above the 1978 level.

For further information, contact Mr. M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Checkstand Sacks by Canadian Manufacturers

	Eastern Canada		Western Canada		Canada Total	
	November 1977	November 1978	November 1977	November 1978	November 1977	November 1978
(thousands of bags)						
Standard Grocery Bags						
Size						
1 4 and 1 2	5,928	4,162	1,040	1,500	6,968	5,662
1					4,689	6,235
2	12,690	14,251	3,142	4,524	11,143	12,540
3 and 4	15,310	16,870	3,163	7,480	18,473	24,350
5	32,096	32,045	3,239	7,210	35,335	39,255
6	7,459	5,609	3,814	6,857	11,273	11,966
7					7,413	6,781
8	19,286	19,269	5,980	14,568	17,853	27,056
10	24,038	21,593	3,372	7,193	27,410	28,786
12	7,119	8,440	2,219	6,547	9,338	14,987
14	12,596	14,398	3,495	6,949	16,091	21,347
20	31,488	27,339	6,310	11,003	37,798	38,342
Total	168,010	163,976	35,774	73,331	203,784	237,307
Checkstand Sacks						
No. 1	16,974	11,022	5,397	11,790	22,371	22,812
No. 2	16,289	13,042	—	—	16,289	13,042
No. 3	30,374	32,995	25,049	46,337	55,423	79,332
Nos. 4 and 5	2,296	3,420	—	—	2,296	3,420
Total	65,933	60,479	30,446	58,127	96,379	118,606

For further information, contact G. W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Checkstand Sacks by Canadian Manufacturers

	Eastern Canada		Western Canada		Canada Total	
	11 Months 1977	1978	11 Months 1977	1978	11 Months 1977	1978
(thousands of bags)						
Standard Grocery Bags						
Size						
1/4 and 1/2	38,514	40,264	11,236	16,817	49,750	57,081
1					53,101	62,987
2	115,172	125,089	31,869	46,106	93,940	108,208
3 and 4	133,059	151,033	39,260	58,314	172,319	209,347
5	269,842	301,518	42,580	58,210	312,422	359,728
6	57,122	68,278	42,654	52,036	99,776	120,314
7					57,904	67,501
8	147,299	172,301	71,072	109,643	160,467	214,443
10	202,718	231,864	45,216	55,918	247,934	287,782
12	58,731	72,928	27,252	50,682	85,983	123,610
14	118,961	136,743	44,650	63,014	16,311	199,757
20	253,531	293,459	78,206	102,343	331,737	395,802
Total	1,394,949	1,593,477	433,995	613,083	1,828,944	2,206,560
Checkstand Sacks						
No. 1	144,938	114,203	65,996	81,238	210,934	195,441
No. 2	164,130	149,847	—	—	164,130	149,847
No. 3	334,619	383,248	298,568	373,597	633,187	756,845
Nos. 4 and 5	32,810	31,353	—	—	32,810	31,353
Total	676,497	678,651	364,564	454,835	1,041,061	1,133,486

For further information, contact G. W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries

(Based on 1975 Census of Manufacturers Benchmarks)

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978r	Sept. 1978	Nov. 1977
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total	12,291.0	12,168.2	11,734.7	9,754.9
Non-durable	6,559.0	6,487.6	6,266.6	5,251.1
Durable	5,732.0	5,680.6	5,468.1	4,503.7
New Orders: Total	12,405.8	12,665.4	12,172.6	9,782.0
Non-durable	6,570.3	6,492.2	6,310.8	5,236.7
Durable	5,835.5	6,173.2	5,861.8	4,545.2
Unfilled Orders: Total	13,126.4	13,011.6	12,515.4	10,297.6
Non-durable	1,733.0	1,721.7	1,718.0	1,316.9
Durable	11,393.4	11,290.0	10,797.4	8,980.7
Inventory Owned: Total	20,175.7	19,854.8	19,704.4	18,417.3
Inventory Held: Total	21,179.9	20,859.0	20,733.9	19,519.1
Raw materials	8,680.0	8,540.2	8,503.0	7,972.5
Goods in process	5,843.3	5,768.6	5,646.5	5,201.4
Finished Products	6,656.5	6,550.2	6,584.5	6,345.1
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Shipments: Total	11,787.5	11,749.4	11,525.6	9,364.1
Non-durable	6,356.2	6,288.3	6,125.7	5,100.3
Durable	5,431.3	5,461.1	5,399.9	4,263.8
New Orders: Total	12,024.6	12,396.3	12,114.7	9,392.3
Non-durable	6,325.0	6,330.0	6,206.4	5,102.3
Durable	5,699.6	6,066.3	5,908.3	4,290.0
Unfilled Orders: Total	13,334.9	13,097.8	12,604.4	10,433.0
Non-durable	1,735.4	1,766.6	1,761.2	1,336.4
Durable	11,599.5	11,331.2	10,843.2	9,096.6
Inventory Owned: Total	20,304.3	20,146.3	19,904.9	18,556.0
Inventory Held: Total	21,283.9	21,128.2	20,933.5	19,635.5
Raw materials	8,663.7	8,547.8	8,490.2	7,955.1
Goods in process	5,787.8	5,760.8	5,655.1	5,154.4
Finished products	6,832.4	6,819.6	6,788.2	6,526.0
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	1.72	1.71	1.73	1.98
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.58	0.58	0.59	0.70

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, November 1978 — Advance Information

Manufacturers' shipments in November 1978, seasonally adjusted, were estimated at \$11,787.5 million, up 0.3% from the revised October level of \$11,749.4 million. Durable goods shipments dropped 0.5% to \$5,431.3 million from \$5,461.1 million while non-durable goods shipments rose 1.1% to \$6,356.2 million from \$6,288.3 million.

New orders in all manufacturing industries, seasonally adjusted, were estimated at \$12,024.6 million in November, down 3.0% from \$12,396.3 million (revised) in October. Durable goods new orders were down 6.0% to \$5,699.6 million from \$6,066.3 million and non-durable goods new orders were down 0.1% to \$6,325.0 million from \$6,330.0 million.

Seasonally-adjusted unfilled orders in November, estimated at \$13,334.9 million, were 1.8% higher than the revised October value of \$13,097.8 million.

Total inventory owned in November 1978, seasonally adjusted, was up 0.8% to \$20,304.3 million from \$20,146.3 million. Total inventory held rose 0.7% to \$21,283.9 million from \$21,128.2 million with increases of 1.4%, 0.5% and 0.2% in raw materials, goods in process and finished products, respectively.

The seasonally-adjusted ratio of total inventory owned to shipments was 1.72:1 in November, up from 1.71:1 in October. The finished products to shipments ratio in November was 0.58:1, unchanged from the preceding month's revised level.

Not adjusted for seasonal variation, manufacturers' shipments in November were estimated at \$12,291.0 million, up 1.0% from the revised October value of \$12,168.2 million. Shipments for the first 11 months of 1978 at an estimated \$118,969.9 million were 18.2% higher than the January-November 1977 total of \$100,670.2 million.

For further information, order the November issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

(see table on page 16)

Housing Starts, in Centres of 10,000 Population and Over (Dwelling Units)

December 1978 and 1977

	1977					1978				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	34	—	—	178	212	23	3	—	—	26
Prince Edward Island	12	—	—	123	135	7	—	—	—	7
Nova Scotia	126	12	44	1,163	1,345	128	8	—	24	160
New Brunswick	55	2	—	106	163	126	—	—	121	247
Quebec	1,255	163	46	2,007	3,471	1,350	266	49	696	2,361
Ontario	1,254	658	1,034	4,369	7,315	1,344	411	639	1,775	4,169
Manitoba	192	90	201	296	779	198	56	142	240	636
Saskatchewan	267	46	121	1,278	1,712	304	22	8	92	426
Alberta	689	176	356	2,127	3,348	678	202	481	984	2,345
British Columbia	737	128	249	891	2,005	917	66	69	605	1,657
Canada Unadjusted	4,621	1,275	2,051	12,538	20,485	5,075	1,034	1,388	4,537	12,034
	multiples					multiples				
Canada, adjusted annual rate (000's)	63.9		171.6		235.5	70.1		74.4		144.5
Canada Cumulative	74,600	16,641	24,490	84,470	200,201	72,932	18,334	18,325	69,087	178,678
Newfoundland	530	102	55	746	1,433	605	114	123	193	1,035
Prince Edward Island	131	8	—	193	332	132	2	—	34	168
Nova Scotia	1,970	162	326	2,902	5,360	1,806	110	87	1,167	3,170
New Brunswick	1,432	61	—	686	2,179	1,509	22	7	549	2,087
Quebec	21,213	1,759	682	23,992	47,646	17,470	2,880	411	15,865	36,626
Ontario	21,487	9,898	13,274	25,572	70,231	20,254	8,331	8,808	24,532	61,925
Manitoba	2,784	819	785	2,995	7,383	2,815	1,423	960	5,036	10,234
Saskatchewan	4,190	314	309	4,513	9,326	3,416	452	28	2,431	6,327
Alberta	9,783	2,185	6,155	11,886	30,009	13,402	3,747	5,929	14,452	37,530
British Columbia	11,080	1,333	2,904	10,985	26,302	11,523	1,253	1,972	4,828	19,576

For further information, order the December issue of *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact J.P. D  lisle (613-995-8213), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Housing Starts, All Areas, By Province (Dwelling Units)

4th Quarter 1978 and 1977

	1977					1978				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	421	14	25	498	958	880	52	24	84	1,040
Prince Edward Island	90	2	10	139	241	250	2	13	62	327
Nova Scotia	1,063	54	116	1,802	3,035	804	41	4	487	1,336
New Brunswick	562	22	—	235	819	641	2	7	456	1,106
Quebec	6,397	694	141	5,912	13,144	5,862	1,096	189	3,094	10,241
Ontario	6,206	2,556	3,593	9,707	22,062	8,324	1,993	2,439	7,562	20,318
Manitoba	952	245	314	638	2,149	855	126	261	1,024	2,266
Saskatchewan	1,844	300	204	2,501	4,849	1,951	234	156	536	2,877
Alberta	4,059	742	2,059	4,881	11,741	5,200	1,321	1,477	5,030	13,028
British Columbia	3,667	378	1,070	3,374	8,489	4,739	338	885	1,272	7,234
Canada Unadjusted	25,261	5,007	7,532	29,687	67,487	29,506	5,205	5,455	19,607	59,773
Canada, adjusted annual rate (000's)					251.2					223.1
Canada Cumulative	108,403	18,373	26,621	92,327	245,724	110,029	19,932	20,379	77,327	227,667
Newfoundland	2,531	140	85	963	3,719	2,322	143	123	277	2,865
Prince Edward Island	577	16	10	221	824	990	45	51	124	1,210
Nova Scotia	3,755	162	376	3,202	7,495	3,181	110	107	1,455	4,853
New Brunswick	3,433	91	—	784	4,308	4,409	40	7	711	5,167
Quebec	29,511	2,138	702	25,229	57,580	23,363	3,112	502	16,694	43,671
Ontario	27,899	10,364	13,782	27,085	79,130	27,949	8,607	9,073	26,081	71,710
Manitoba	4,193	834	884	3,499	9,410	3,999	1,423	1,035	5,664	12,121
Saskatchewan	6,705	520	490	5,110	12,825	5,864	716	290	2,657	9,527
Alberta	14,298	2,573	7,168	14,026	38,075	19,757	4,362	6,504	17,302	47,925
British Columbia	15,501	1,535	3,124	12,198	32,358	18,195	1,374	2,687	6,362	28,618

For further information, order the December issue of *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact J.P. D  lisle (613-995-8213), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978r	Not Seasonally Adjusted % change	Jan.-Nov. 1978p	Jan.-Nov. 1977	% change
	(\$ millions)			(\$ millions)		
Newfoundland	75.3	86.4	-2.0	760.3	631.5	20.4
Nova Scotia	245.4	247.4	1.3	2,502.8	2,096.5	19.4
New Brunswick	261.3	237.0	-0.5	2,318.5	1,949.9	18.9
Quebec	3,313.7	3,203.9	0.3	31,428.8	25,782.1	21.9
Ontario	6,098.9	6,025.4	1.0	58,884.2	50,984.8	15.5
Manitoba	308.0	307.9	0.2	3,073.0	2,643.6	16.2
Saskatchewan	146.5	155.3	-0.6	1,493.4	1,266.6	17.9
Alberta	679.3	706.4	0.3	6,834.2	5,656.5	20.8
British Columbia	1,146.5	1,181.3	0.4	11,503.5	9,522.2	20.8
Canada*	12,291.0	12,168.2	0.1	118,969.9	100,670.2	18.2

*Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding.

Airport Activity, May 1978 — Advance Information

Airport activity statistics for the top 50 airports in Canada are now available for the month of May 1978.

Total scheduled enplaned plus deplaned passenger statistics for Toronto International, Montreal (Dorval) International and Mirabel International are shown in the accompanying table.

The complete airport tables and further information may be obtained by contacting Mr. L.J. Surch (819-997-1385), Airport Activity Survey, Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Airport Activity,

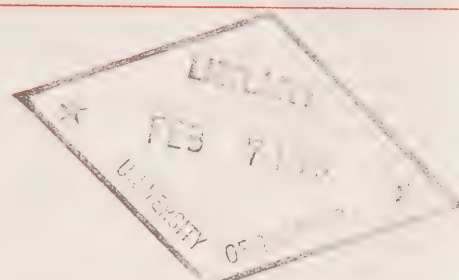
May 1978

	Toronto International	Montreal International	Mirabel International
May 1977	907,612	462,890	99,813
May 1978	964,339	486,840	96,241
% change	6.2	5.2	-3.6

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Employment, Earnings and Hours, Advance Data

November 1978

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Employment Index Number									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations				Seasonally adjusted					
	Nov. 1978f	Oct. 1978p	Sept. 1978p	Aug. 1978r	Nov. 1977	Oct. 1977	Nov. 1978f	Oct. 1978p	Sept. 1978p	Aug. 1978r
	1961=100									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	85.7	91.3	94.6	101.0	83.7	89.1	83.5	82.3	80.4	83.2
Mining, including milling	117.0	117.2	117.4	128.6	121.7	122.1	116.9	117.9	119.2	125.4
Manufacturing	129.6	130.2	130.3	130.9	126.1	127.3	129.5	128.9	128.8	128.3
Durable Goods	143.9	143.0	142.0	141.7	138.7	139.4	142.4	141.4	141.7	141.1
Non-durable Goods	118.1	119.8	120.8	122.2	116.0	117.6	119.1	118.8	118.3	118.0
Construction	99.7	107.6	109.8	108.2	113.3	120.5	95.8	97.4	98.3	97.0
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	134.8	135.0	137.1	135.9	128.4	131.9	136.2	134.4	135.1	132.6
Trade	180.9	177.4	174.3	172.0	174.5	171.7	174.4	174.0	174.7	175.9
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	200.7	200.2	200.3	201.3	197.3	196.8	200.8	200.1	200.3	200.8
Service	261.0	264.5	266.5	271.2	253.8	254.7	263.2	262.7	261.8	259.8
Industrial Composite	149.0	149.6	149.9	150.4	145.4	146.7	147.8	147.4	147.5	147.4
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	137.4	139.5	142.2	142.1	132.0	133.6	135.8	135.5	135.6	133.3
Newfoundland	131.5	134.5	138.6	139.8	131.8	135.3	129.3	128.8	128.7	128.7
Prince Edward Island	156.2	162.0	162.2	168.9	151.4	155.3	157.5	155.5	148.7	147.1
Nova Scotia	138.1	138.5	140.8	139.5	130.6	130.2	136.5	135.8	138.0	135.0
New Brunswick	138.6	141.9	144.5	144.3	132.0	134.6	137.8	138.5	136.3	133.0
Quebec	128.7	129.4	129.9	130.4	127.2	128.9	127.7	127.6	127.4	127.9
Ontario	153.8	153.8	153.4	153.9	150.3	150.6	152.4	151.9	151.7	151.6
Prairie Region	168.3	168.7	168.1	168.0	160.7	161.8	167.3	166.0	164.4	163.6
Manitoba	127.7	128.2	128.4	127.9	125.5	127.2	126.8	126.2	125.4	125.1
Saskatchewan	147.5	148.2	148.3	147.4	144.1	144.6	146.3	145.7	145.3	143.0
Alberta	210.2	210.5	208.8	209.6	197.0	197.9	209.4	207.7	204.4	203.8
British Columbia	173.9	175.9	177.7	179.1	169.4	173.3	173.6	174.0	176.3	176.6
Yukon	183.5	185.6	194.3	204.7	193.5	202.0	190.2	188.9	187.8	191.3
Northwest Territories	153.4	154.6	160.1	167.8	143.1	146.8	162.4	158.6	152.2	149.8
Canada	149.0	149.6	149.9	150.4	145.4	146.7	147.8	147.4	147.5	147.4

.. figures not available. f-first estimate based on limited number of returns. p-preliminary figures. r-revised figures.

Employment, Earnings and Hours (Seasonally Adjusted), November 1978 — Advance Information

The first estimates of the Canada industrial composite* index of employment (1961=100) for November 1978 indicate a 0.3% increase from the preceding month. Only two industry divisions, mining (including milling) and construction, and one region (British Columbia) did not participate in this increase.

Average weekly earnings rose by 0.8% at the national industrial composite level. Gains were recorded in all industry divisions except construction, and in all regions.

Average hourly earnings advanced in mining (including milling) and in manufacturing but decreased in construction. Similarly, in average weekly hours, increases were recorded in mining (including milling) and in manufacturing but a decrease was recorded in construction.

* Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious organizations, private households and public administration and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year. Notes on concepts and methods can be found in any issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours*.

Detailed information for September and October will be published in the November issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7), and is also available from Mr. R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

(see tables on pages 3 and 4)

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations				Seasonally adjusted					
	Nov. 1978f	Oct. 1978p	Sept. 1978p	Aug. 1978r	Nov. 1977	Oct. 1977	Nov. 1978f	Oct. 1978p	Sept. 1978p	Aug. 1978r
	dollars									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	347.86	339.80	335.76	311.64	332.55	333.52	338.91	332.62	337.65	321.91
Mining, including milling	399.46	391.41	380.45	369.79	362.40	358.13	394.72	388.84	382.09	376.15
Manufacturing	296.63	294.63	292.12	285.47	275.50	274.57	295.60	292.47	292.06	288.85
Durable Goods	319.86	317.19	315.07	305.66	296.59	296.11	316.49	312.96	312.88	308.93
Non-durable Goods	274.75	272.88	270.33	266.58	255.23	254.04	275.49	273.54	271.91	269.35
Construction	393.91	407.84	411.79	396.87	381.89	396.58	390.94	391.55	402.02	392.32
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	320.75	315.48	315.88	313.64	298.40	297.25	321.23	315.01	316.39	314.65
Trade	204.15	205.12	203.57	204.11	192.35	194.01	207.68	206.28	204.88	202.35
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	252.73	251.43	252.18	250.53	235.36	233.04	256.37	254.28	255.09	252.83
Service	182.78	183.16	181.48	181.73	173.39	173.97	184.25	183.60	183.20	181.31
Industrial Composite	272.38	272.01	271.00	267.07	256.31	257.53	272.49	270.20	270.70	267.26
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	237.33	236.62	232.61	232.09	225.83	225.64	238.71	236.71	234.01	233.14
Newfoundland	256.52	255.40	252.07	251.75	246.80	246.64	258.07	254.18	253.52	252.89
Prince Edward Island	197.33	198.73	198.83	196.86	190.91	192.82
Nova Scotia	230.06	229.07	226.23	224.80	216.59	216.06	232.08	230.50	225.73	224.42
New Brunswick	238.16	237.71	231.25	231.78	226.96	226.61	239.19	238.16	234.53	235.48
Quebec	269.54	269.37	268.75	264.17	252.42	253.44	268.89	267.39	268.62	265.28
Ontario	271.32	270.09	270.17	264.88	256.20	257.12	271.62	268.21	269.17	265.01
Prairie Region	268.82	270.64	265.78	264.08	251.14	253.74	269.49	269.27	265.75	262.90
Manitoba	245.60	246.03	244.35	243.11	226.93	231.54	247.88	245.22	242.94	240.66
Saskatchewan	255.62	257.35	253.33	255.19	239.05	243.13	256.36	254.91	253.20	254.40
Alberta	284.22	286.81	280.25	277.19	267.53	268.88	284.59	285.93	279.69	276.69
British Columbia	309.90	309.59	310.43	307.51	291.49	292.48	309.19	307.07	308.24	305.77
Yukon	351.56	352.99	361.06	372.83	343.44	362.79
Northwest Territories	320.87	315.89	321.80	322.16	303.06	327.47
Canada	272.38	272.01	271.00	267.07	256.31	257.53	272.49	270.20	270.70	267.26

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Sales Financing, November 1978 — Advance Information

Sales finance companies purchased \$325.2 million of retail finance paper in November, an increase of 20.8% from the \$269.1 million purchased in November 1977. Total purchases comprised \$70.8 million for passenger cars, \$43.3 million for other consumer goods, \$117.4 million for commercial vehicles and \$93.7 million for other commercial and industrial goods.

Wholesale financing undertaken by these companies during the third quarter of 1978 amounted to \$1,902.4 million, up 13.0% over the \$1,683.4 million financed in July-September 1977.

For further information, order the November issue of *Sales Financing* (63-013, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, October 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian mills shipped 271,205,000 square feet (25 195 000 m²) 3/8" (9.525 mm) basis of softwood plywood in October, up from 236,197,000 square feet (21 944 000 m²) in October 1977.

Shipments of hardwood plywood amounted to 21,961,000 square feet (2 040 000 m²) surface measure for October, an increase of 6.3% over the same month in 1977.

For further information, order the October issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods* (35-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Hours and Average Hourly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Nov. 1978f	Oct. 1978p	Sept. 1978p	Aug. 1978r	Nov. 1977	Oct. 1977	Nov. 1978f	Oct. 1978p	Sept. 1978p	Aug. 1978r
					number					
Average Weekly Hours:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	41.5	40.8	40.4	40.0	41.0	40.9	40.9	40.5	40.5	40.4
Manufacturing	39.3	39.2	39.2	38.8	39.0	39.1	38.9	38.8	38.9	38.9
Durable Goods	40.2	40.1	40.1	39.4	40.1	40.1	39.8	39.6	39.7	39.7
Non-durable Goods	38.3	38.3	38.3	38.1	37.9	38.0	38.1	38.0	38.0	38.0
Construction	38.3	40.1	40.6	40.2	39.0	40.6	38.2	38.6	39.4	39.0
Building	37.0	37.7	38.2	37.5	37.3	38.4	36.7	36.7	37.7	37.2
Engineering	41.1	44.6	44.5	44.5	42.2	44.2	41.0	42.5	42.6	42.4
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	37.4	38.4	37.5	38.1	37.5	37.4	37.7	38.9	37.5	38.3
Quebec	39.5	39.6	39.6	39.2	39.5	39.5	39.0	39.0	39.2	39.2
Ontario	40.0	39.9	39.9	39.3	39.7	39.8	39.7	39.5	39.5	39.3
Prairie Region	37.5	37.8	37.6	37.2	36.8	37.6	37.3	37.4	37.4	37.5
British Columbia	37.0	36.4	36.2	36.4	36.6	36.2	36.5	36.3	36.5	37.2
					dollars					
Average Hourly Earnings:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	9.23	9.11	8.82	8.70	8.43	8.35	9.19	9.08	8.84	8.80
Manufacturing	7.05	7.01	6.97	6.84	6.57	6.55	7.07	7.00	7.00	6.90
Durable Goods	7.53	7.51	7.48	7.32	7.03	7.02	7.54	7.48	7.46	7.37
Non-durable Goods	6.52	6.47	6.42	6.36	6.08	6.05	6.57	6.52	6.49	6.43
Construction	10.56	10.53	10.50	10.18	10.04	10.05	10.41	10.47	10.50	10.33
Building	10.73	10.71	10.67	10.33	10.03	10.05	10.57	10.57	10.60	10.39
Engineering	10.25	10.23	10.26	9.98	10.05	10.06	10.11	10.24	10.32	10.20
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	6.37	6.23	6.10	5.99	5.96	5.93	6.41	6.22	6.20	6.14
Quebec	6.43	6.38	6.34	6.24	5.96	5.92	6.45	6.41	6.35	6.28
Ontario	7.10	7.08	7.05	6.88	6.65	6.65	7.13	7.08	7.04	6.94
Prairie Region	7.11	7.10	7.03	6.90	6.62	6.67	7.10	7.03	7.00	6.88
British Columbia	9.30	9.24	9.17	9.08	8.63	8.55	9.28	9.21	9.19	9.13

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Decorative Laminate Sheet, October-December 1978
 — Advance Information

Domestic shipments of 1/8-inch high pressure laminate sheet amounted to 20.2 million square feet (1.9 mm²) with a value of \$8.3 million in the December quarter of 1978. In the same quarter of 1977, totals were 17.5 million square feet (1.6 mm²) and \$7.2 million.

For further information, order the fourth quarter issue of *Factory Shipments of High Pressure Decorative Laminate Sheet* (47-005, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 3,178 short tons (2 883 t) or 6,403,401 square feet (594 895 m²) of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in December compared to 3,103 short tons (2 815 t) or 6,167,286 square feet (572 960 m²) in December 1977.

For further information, order the December issue of *Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles* (47-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Nov. 1978f (\$ millions)	Oct. 1978p	Sept. 1978r
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Newfoundland	151.1	152.4	150.6
Prince Edward Island	28.8	30.1	30.5
Nova Scotia	277.8	278.7	278.2
New Brunswick	215.3	220.8	215.3
Quebec	2,599.2	2,602.2	2,596.1
Ontario	4,304.3	4,280.6	4,281.0
Manitoba	408.1	414.8	410.0
Saskatchewan	315.5	324.7	319.0
Alberta	934.9	936.4	915.0
British Columbia	1,244.4	1,261.8	1,270.1
Yukon, Northwest Territories	35.9	36.4	37.6
Total Wages and Salaries	10,515.3	10,538.7	10,503.3
Supplementary Labour Income	869.0	870.9	868.1
Labour Income	11,384.3	11,409.6	11,371.4
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Newfoundland	150.2	147.6	144.0
Prince Edward Island	29.3	29.1	28.2
Nova Scotia	276.8	274.7	270.5
New Brunswick	215.2	216.7	206.0
Quebec	2,603.7	2,565.7	2,562.0
Ontario	4,284.0	4,211.7	4,199.5
Manitoba	408.5	405.8	399.0
Saskatchewan	313.8	315.4	306.3
Alberta	930.1	918.2	892.2
British Columbia	1,241.4	1,241.2	1,241.4
Yukon, Northwest Territories	36.1	35.8	36.1
Total Wages and Salaries	10,489.2	10,362.0	10,285.1
Supplementary Labour Income	867.0	856.4	850.3
Labour Income	11,356.1	11,218.4	11,135.4

f First estimate

p Preliminary estimate

r Revised estimate

Estimates of Labour Income, November 1978 — Advance Information

Labour income for the month of November was estimated at \$11.4 billion, an increase of \$1,005.4 million or 9.7% from November 1977.

Adjusted for seasonal variation, wages and salaries increased by \$127.2 million between October and November to \$10.5 billion.

Detailed estimates will be published in the October-December issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, \$1.05/\$4.20), or may be obtained upon request from Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8067), Labour Income Section, Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

Key Economic Series, February 1979

During the coming month, the release of Key Economic Series data is expected to be in accordance with the schedule outlined below. Where a range of dates is given for a series, this represents the period within which publication of the data can be reasonably expected, the variability taking account of circumstances peculiar to each series. Any range may be

exceeded on rare occasions, for reasons unpredictable at this time.

January 29 to February 9: Unemployment Insurance Statistics, month of November;

February 1 to 5: Industry Selling Price Index, month of December;

February 5 to 12: General Wholesale Price Index, month of December;

February 6: Labour Force Survey, month of January;

February 15 to 19: Retail Trade, month of December;

February 16 to 19: Consumer Credit, month of December;

February 16 to 20: Wholesale Trade, month of December;

February 16 to 22: Index of Industrial Production, month of December;

February 19: The Consumer Price Index, month of January;

February 19 to 23: Industrial Corporations Financial Statistics (Preliminary Data), fourth quarter 1978;

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February 20 to 21: Inventories, Shipments and Orders, month of December;

February 22 to 27: Labour Income, month of December;

February 22 to March 2: Gross National Product, fourth quarter 1978;

February 26 to March 2: Employment, Earnings and Hours, month of December;

February 26 to March 2: Private and Public Investment in Canada, Outlook 1979;

February 26 to March 9: Unemployment Insurance Statistics, month of December;

February 27 to March 5: Real Domestic Product, month of December.

The Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade for the month of January will be released on March 6.

Due to year-end closing, the advance release of Building Permits for December will be delayed to the middle of March.

Users of the Key Economic Series should note that the General Wholesale Price Index and Consumer Credit reports will no longer appear in the monthly schedule.

For future reference to the General Wholesale Price Index, please contact Mr. Paul Stoochnoff (613-995-5765), Prices Division, Statistics Canada.

For future reference to Consumer Credit monthly data, please contact Mr. Boyden Lee (613-563-8125), Bank of Canada.

It should be noted that the March schedule of Key Economic Series will appear in the *Daily* and on CANSIM on February 26, 1979. The schedule of Key Economic Series is now available on CANSIM, and can be retrieved by using the command "DATES". The schedule will be issued once per month as noted above.

For any enquiry concerning the release of these series, please contact Mr. Jack Kerr (613-992-1548), Production Planning and Scheduling Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturing Industries, January 1979 — Published only in the *Statistics Canada Daily* and *Infomat*

Canadian manufacturers expect production during the first quarter of 1979 to be maintained at close to the level observed in the three months ending in December. Results of the January Business Conditions Survey show that 55% of the weighted response expect production to be about the same while 28% expect it to be higher and 17% lower. Comparable expectations from the October 1978 survey showed 46% anticipated an unchanged level of production in the upcoming quarter while 38% expected it to be higher and 16% lower. (Management is asked to allow for normal seasonal conditions when responding.)

A similar situation exists regarding the level of new orders received, where 57% of responding manufacturers reported them at the same level as in the previous period while 33% reported orders rising and 10% declining. In October, 47% reported orders at the same

level while for 43% they were rising and for 10%, declining at that time.

Once again the proportion reporting unfilled orders as higher than normal, at 26%, was greater than the 12% indicating a lower-than-normal backlog. These results are markedly different from those of the same period in 1978 when only 16% felt their orders backlog was higher than normal while for 28% it was lower.

The level of finished products inventory showed little change with 10% reporting it to be too high and 11% too low. In October, 11% reported stocks of finished goods were too high and another 11% reported them to be too low.

Reports of production difficulties were very similar to those of the previous period but showed some change from the first quarter of 1978. In the current survey, 12% of responding manufacturers lacked skilled labour and 13% had a shortage of raw materials whereas a year ago only 6% reported a shortage of skilled labour and 4% a shortage of raw materials.

When results are classified by economic use or type of market served by the manufacturers, the export-based industries show the greatest quarter-to-quarter change with 73% indicating that they expect production levels to remain about the same, while 23% expect them to be higher. In October, only 45% expected production to be about the same as in the previous quarter and 47% expected it to be higher. A similar shift occurred for this group in the level of new orders received.

Response from the January survey represented more than 6,200 manufacturing establishments whose shipments accounted for about 50% of all shipments in these industries in 1976. Answers were weighted by attaching to each the value of shipments reported to the 1976 Census of Manufactures. (The revision of all previous results by a change to 1976 from 1975 census values as weights has resulted in some changes in proportions from those previously published. The October 1978 data published here includes some response received too late for the first release of results from that survey.)

Percentages are proportions of the total weighted response indicating a specified condition (e.g. "too high", "too low" or "about right") in answer to each question.

For further information, contact Brian Preston (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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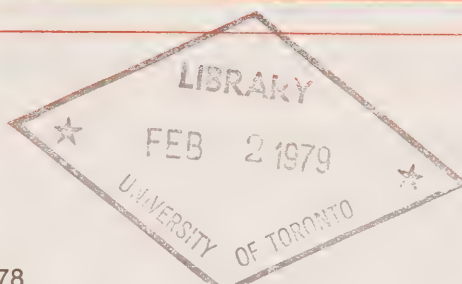
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Date	Expected production, next 3 months compared to last 3			New Orders Level			Unfilled Orders Backlog			Finished Product Inventory			Sources of Production Difficulties					
	Higher	Lower	About Same	Rising	Declining	About Same	Higher than Normal	Lower than Normal	About Normal	Too High	Too Low	About Right	Working Capital	Skilled Labour	Unskilled Labour	Raw Materials	Other Difficulties	No Difficulties
Percentage of weighted response																		
All Manufacturing Industries																		
Jan. 78	29	21	49	24	22	54	16	28	56	18	4	78	3	6	1	4	2	86
Apr. 78	37	13	50	30	16	54	14	19	67	16	4	80	4	9	1	4	5	80
July 78	33	22	45	41	11	48	19	17	65	16	7	77	3	12	1	7	4	77
Oct. 78	38	16	46	43	10	47	25	10	65	11	11	78	4	13	2	11	4	72
Jan./79	28	17	55	33	10	57	26	12	63	10	11	79	3	12	1	13	3	73
Durable Consumer Goods																		
Jan. 78	23	44	33	17	35	48	8	38	54	38	2	60	8	10	1	5	3	79
Apr. 78	33	20	47	20	35	45	7	40	53	39	4	57	12	11	1	5	4	72
July 78	36	27	38	34	21	46	18	30	52	28	4	68	11	12	1	3	3	76
Oct. 78	49	15	36	55	15	30	31	17	52	17	14	68	9	13	4	10	9	67
Jan./79	34	32	34	35	14	51	24	18	58	12	9	79	10	12	2	10	4	70
Non-durable Consumer Goods																		
Jan./78	24	24	53	20	14	66	7	17	76	13	5	81	3	7	1	7	3	82
Apr./78	37	14	50	24	13	64	6	13	82	12	4	84	2	8	1	9	3	81
July/78	42	27	31	39	12	50	15	12	73	15	8	77	2	9	1	7	5	78
Oct./78	34	19	46	36	10	55	12	6	81	10	9	82	3	20	2	10	4	68
Jan./79	20	27	54	26	10	64	8	13	79	12	10	78	3	8	0	15	3	74
Machinery and Equipment																		
Jan./78	29	20	51	32	26	43	20	34	46	17	2	81	2	15	0	3	3	79
Apr./78	33	15	51	35	31	33	22	32	47	19	4	77	6	19	1	4	3	73
July/78	33	21	46	44	19	38	24	28	48	19	6	75	6	23	1	6	4	66
Oct./78	46	14	40	40	20	40	26	20	54	22	10	68	8	30	2	7	2	60
Jan./79	37	10	53	53	16	30	46	14	40	14	5	81	3	30	1	8	2	62
Construction Materials and Supplies																		
Jan./78	16	40	44	14	42	44	6	45	49	26	9	65	3	8	1	3	1	86
Apr./78	37	17	46	32	23	45	14	36	50	22	9	68	3	13	1	2	1	82
July/78	32	27	41	35	23	42	20	30	50	20	10	70	5	18	0	7	2	71
Oct./78	24	30	46	27	25	48	22	28	50	17	12	71	6	13	2	10	3	71
Jan./79	26	29	46	25	26	49	17	26	56	14	15	71	5	13	1	10	3	73
Other Intermediate Goods																		
Jan./78	31	16	53	19	19	62	10	25	65	14	3	83	2	5	1	4	1	90
Apr./78	38	13	49	44	13	42	15	17	68	14	4	82	4	7	1	1	11	78
July/78	25	26	49	38	9	53	26	16	58	12	7	80	2	15	1	11	3	72
Oct./78	35	16	49	47	6	47	38	5	57	8	14	77	2	9	1	15	2	75
Jan./79	35	12	53	35	7	58	31	6	64	9	9	82	2	10	1	16	2	72
Exports-based Industries																		
Jan./78	42	14	45	40	23	37	36	29	35	21	3	76	3	3	0	4	1	91
Apr./78	38	9	53	18	9	73	16	10	74	15	4	82	2	6	0	4	3	86
July/78	34	10	56	50	4	47	7	6	86	17	6	77	2	6	1	3	3	87
Oct./78	47	8	45	55	3	42	18	6	76	9	8	83	3	6	1	9	7	78
Jan./79	23	5	73	34	2	63	34	7	59	4	19	77	3	12	0	9	3	79

Note: The survey reflects management's opinion of expected production, current orders and inventory levels, and also current sources of production difficulties. Respondents were asked to allow for normal seasonal fluctuations. Individual replies were weighted by the value of the respondent's shipments as reported to the Census of Manufactures; these weighted replies were then summed and expressed as a percentage of all similarly weighted response to the particular question. Because of rounding and inclusion of reports indicating more than one source of difficulty, category totals may differ from 100%.

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Advance Estimates of Employees

November 1978

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Number of Employees									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Nov. 1978f	Oct. 1978p	Sept. 1978r	Aug. 1978r	Nov. 1977 (000's)	Oct. 1977	Nov. 1978f	Oct. 1978p	Sept. 1978r	Aug. 1978r
Industry Division										
Forestry	71.5	76.5	78.8	82.1	69.8	73.3	70.7	69.8	68.5	67.3
Mining (including milling)	137.6	138.4	138.9	151.1	141.9	142.3	137.3	138.7	138.9	147.2
Manufacturing	1,836.4	1,845.3	1,847.4	1,854.9	1,782.8	1,800.2	1,834.7	1,831.8	1,819.9	1,813.3
Construction	451.1	483.1	489.2	484.3	468.6	500.8	440.0	443.9	441.1	430.7
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	816.9	819.0	826.2	819.3	794.5	813.8	823.5	814.4	812.2	803.6
Trade	1,509.1	1,500.7	1,480.4	1,467.1	1,464.3	1,451.9	1,480.9	1,478.7	1,479.1	1,478.2
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	488.5	487.8	487.1	489.6	487.2	485.8	490.0	488.3	486.4	485.3
Total Service	2,599.7	2,589.5	2,565.1	2,463.8	2,558.4	2,538.1	2,574.8	2,566.0	2,546.9	2,554.1
Non-commercial Service	1,455.0	1,434.6	1,399.1	1,284.2	1,435.2	1,414.0	1,410.9	1,404.9	1,397.3	1,425.0
Commercial Service	1,144.7	1,154.9	1,166.0	1,179.5	1,123.2	1,124.1	1,163.8	1,161.1	1,149.6	1,129.1
Public Administration and Defence(1)	619.6	620.8	632.9	662.1	614.3	616.5	632.8	631.7	633.8	633.8
Total Non-agricultural Industries(2)	8,540.5	8,574.0	8,560.3	8,488.8	8,387.1	8,428.6	8,496.5	8,477.2	8,438.5	8,423.9
Total Non-agricultural Industries										
Newfoundland	135.4	137.0	140.0	141.1	130.4	134.2	134.3	132.9	133.8	132.8
Prince Edward Island	31.3	31.3	31.5	32.3	28.4	29.3	31.3	30.5	29.7	29.6
Nova Scotia	251.6	252.2	255.2	253.1	246.6	245.6	250.4	249.0	250.5	245.1
New Brunswick	192.0	193.0	197.2	198.9	192.0	194.6	193.2	190.1	189.4	187.9
Quebec	2,152.3	2,165.7	2,161.1	2,142.2	2,141.9	2,159.3	2,132.4	2,132.3	2,124.8	2,133.8
Ontario	3,415.1	3,420.5	3,403.1	3,403.8	3,378.1	3,379.9	3,401.5	3,389.3	3,371.2	3,379.5
Manitoba	352.2	353.6	351.6	346.3	350.6	354.5	349.6	349.6	346.4	343.6
Saskatchewan	264.0	265.0	265.4	256.9	255.7	255.4	262.5	263.2	262.5	257.6
Alberta	779.6	780.2	773.4	766.3	729.8	730.6	775.6	774.3	762.5	756.1
British Columbia	933.4	939.0	943.2	909.5	906.4	917.1	929.3	928.0	932.9	925.3
Canada(3)	8,540.5	8,574.0	8,560.3	8,488.8	8,387.1	8,428.6	8,496.5	8,477.2	8,438.5	8,423.9

f first estimate based on a limited number of returns

p preliminary figures

r revised figures

(1) Excludes military personnel

(2) Includes Fishing and Trapping

(3) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories

Estimates of Employees, November 1978 — Advance Information

Monthly summary data are released on a regular basis in the *Statistics Canada Daily*, while detailed monthly information is published in catalogue 72-008, *Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry*, and is also available from Mr. G. Mahoney (613-992-3868), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

Sales of Cement, December 1978 — Advance Information

Advance information on sales of cement as reported by Canadian producers for the month of December is now available.

For details, contact Gordon McWade (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Import and Export Price and Volume Indexes**Price Indexes Weighted with Current Period Quantities**Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation
(1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1975 Annual	157.4	173.1
1976 Annual	157.5	177.3
1977 Annual	176.0	188.8
1977		
II Quarter	172.8	186.3
III Quarter	180.2	192.7
IV Quarter	183.2	193.0
1978		
I Quarter	191.1	199.1
II Quarter	193.4	200.5
III Quarter	200.6	206.9
1978		
June	194.4	199.5
July	199.1	201.0
August	202.5	212.8
September	200.7	207.1
October	204.7	209.3
November	210.0	213.1

Volume Indexes Weighted with 1971 PricesSeasonally Adjusted
(1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1975 Annual	141.3	108.1
1976 Annual	152.2	120.7
1977 Annual	153.2	131.2
1977		
II Quarter	157.5	130.0
III Quarter	150.9	128.3
IV Quarter	149.4	133.8
1978		
I Quarter	146.5	139.2
II Quarter	161.0	142.3
III Quarter	159.0	143.7
1978		
June	152.4	131.7
July	158.2	138.3
August	152.7	133.0
September	166.0	159.9
October	167.1	145.9
November	168.0	157.7

Import and Export Price and Volume Indexes (1971=100), November 1978 — Advance Information

Import prices, as measured by the fixed-weighted price index, were unchanged in November, although the current-weighted index rose 2.6% because of changes in the commodity composition of trade. Export prices, on the other hand, increased 1.6% on a fixed-weighted basis and 1.8% on a current-weighted basis. Revised prices for 1979 model motor vehicles resulted in substantial increases in the October price indexes.

Import volume, seasonally adjusted, increased fractionally in November. The average level of the index in the latest three months was 167.0 compared with 159.0 in the third quarter and 161.0 in the second. Export volume rebounded 8% after a decline in October. The average export volume for September-

November was 154.5, a 7.5% increase from the third quarter level of 143.7.

For further information, order the December issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

Railway Carloadings, December 1978 — Advance Information

Railways in Canada loaded 19.4 million short tons (17.6 million t) of revenue freight in December, an increase of 8.8% from a year earlier. The carriers received an additional 1.8 million short tons (1.7 million t) from the United States, a gain of 19.7% over December 1977.

Commodities showing notable percentage change in volume in the latest month included potash (up 52.2%); coal (up 44.0%); wheat (up 34.6%); and copper-nickel ores and concentrates (down 91.1%). The latter decrease was mainly due to work stoppages at International Nickel Company mines which began in September.

During the year 1978, rail freight loadings decreased 3.7% from the previous 12-month period to 242.2 million short tons (219.7 million t). Receipts from the U.S. were up 1.5% on the year.

Cumulatively, loadings of copper-nickel ores and iron ore were significantly lower in 1978, both due to strike situations. Commodities recording increases included pulpwood chips, pulpwood, newsprint paper, primary and manufactured iron and steel, sulphur, gypsum, potash and coal.

For further information, order the December issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, 30¢/\$3), or for seasonally adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact L.E. Robbins (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

The Dairy Review, November 1978 — Advance Information

An estimated 1,204,791,000 pounds of milk were produced for all purposes in November, an increase of 0.3% from November 1977.

Milk production in the first 11 months of 1978 totalled an estimated 15,565,627,000 pounds, a decrease of 1.9% from the January-November 1977 period.

For further information, order the December issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-995-4858), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

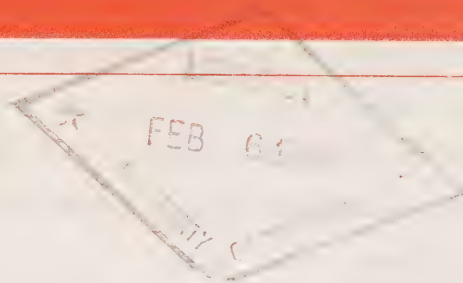
Steel Ingots, Week Ended January 27, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended January 27 was 346,516 short tons (314 354 t), an increase of 1.7% from the preceding week's total of 340,625 short tons (309 010 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 299,005 short tons (271 253 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 189.1 in the current week, 185.9 a week earlier and 163.2 a year earlier.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Exports by Commodities

Commodity-country export trade statistics for November 1978 are now available in advance of the regular publication. For information, contact G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Provincial Economic Accounts

Released today is the publication *Provincial Economic Accounts, 1962-1977*. This volume contains, as did the first report for the 1961-1976 period which was issued in June 1978, tables detailing Provincial Gross Domestic Product and Expenditure at market price as well as Government Revenue, Expenditure and Surplus or Deficit by Level of Government. In addition, there are seven new tables providing detail on government revenue and expenditure and estimates of personal income and saving by province.

For further information, contact Joel Dena (613-995-0611), Gross National Product Division, Statistics Canada, or order *Provincial Economic Accounts, 1962-1977* (catalogue 13-213, \$2.80). To obtain these data from CANSIM on magnetic tape or computer printouts, contact Mrs. Debbie Day (613-995-7406), CANSIM staff, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z8.

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Provincial Economic Accounts, Experimental Data, 1962-1977 (13-213, \$2.80)

Fish Freezings and Stocks, October 1978 (24-001, 40¢/\$4)

Retail Trade, November 1978 (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50)

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, 1977 (66-201, \$1.40)

Construction Price Statistics, January 1979 (62-007, 40¢/\$4)

Air Carrier Traffic at Canadian Airports, First Quarter 1978 (51-005, \$1.75/\$7)

Railway Freight Traffic, Second Quarter 1978 (52-002, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Traveller Accommodation Statistics, 1976 (63-204, \$1.05)

Grain Milling Statistics, November 1978 (32-003, 30¢/\$3)

Service Bulletin:

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 7, No. 3, Pack of Processed Strawberries, 1978

Estimates of Labour Income, November 1978 — Advance Information

Labour income for the month of November was estimated at \$11.4 billion, an increase of \$1,005.4 million or 9.7% from November 1977.

Adjusted for seasonal variation, wages and salaries increased by \$127.2 million between October and November to \$10.5 billion.

Detailed estimates will be published in the October-December issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, \$1.05/\$4.20), or may be obtained upon request from Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8067), Labour Income Section, Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

(see tables on pages 3-4)

Feed Price Indexes, December 1978 — Advance Information

Feed price indexes, Canada and five geographical regions, are now available for December.

For further information, contact the Information Unit (613-995-5738 or 5739), Industrial Prices Section, Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Honey Production, 1978 — Advance Information

Final estimates show that the 1978 Canadian honey crop reached 67.4 million pounds, an increase of 9% from the 1977 crop (61.8 million pounds). The average yield per colony in Canada increased by six pounds from the 1977 season. Alberta and Manitoba were again the largest producing provinces accounting for 20.0 and 15.1 million pounds, respectively.

The total value of the 1978 honey crop at an estimated \$38.1 million was up 23% over 1977. Values for the provinces were: Prince Edward Island, \$111,000; Nova Scotia, \$305,000; New Brunswick, \$193,000; Quebec, \$5,521,000; Ontario, \$5,678,000; Manitoba, \$7,565,000; Saskatchewan, \$5,712,000; Alberta, \$10,200,000; and British Columbia, \$2,780,000.

For further information, order *Honey Production* (23-007, 35¢/70¢), to be released in February, or contact K.C. Wardley (613-995-4877), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Nov. 1978f (\$ millions)	Oct. 1978p	Sept. 1978r
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Newfoundland	151.1	152.4	150.6
Prince Edward Island	28.8	30.1	30.5
Nova Scotia	277.8	278.7	278.2
New Brunswick	215.3	220.8	215.3
Quebec	2,599.2	2,602.2	2,596.1
Ontario	4,304.3	4,280.6	4,281.0
Manitoba	408.1	414.8	410.0
Saskatchewan	315.5	324.7	319.0
Alberta	934.9	936.4	915.0
British Columbia	1,244.4	1,261.8	1,270.1
Yukon, Northwest Territories	35.9	36.4	37.6
Total Wages and Salaries	10,515.3	10,538.7	10,503.3
Supplementary Labour Income	869.0	870.9	868.1
Labour Income	11,384.3	11,409.6	11,371.4
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Newfoundland	150.2	147.6	144.0
Prince Edward Island	29.3	29.1	28.2
Nova Scotia	276.8	274.7	270.5
New Brunswick	215.2	216.7	206.0
Quebec	2,603.7	2,565.7	2,562.0
Ontario	4,284.0	4,211.7	4,199.5
Manitoba	408.5	405.8	399.0
Saskatchewan	313.8	315.4	306.3
Alberta	930.1	918.2	892.2
British Columbia	1,241.4	1,241.2	1,241.4
Yukon, Northwest Territories	36.1	35.8	36.1
Total Wages and Salaries	10,489.2	10,362.0	10,285.1
Supplementary Labour Income	867.0	856.4	850.3
Labour Income	11,356.1	11,218.4	11,135.4

f First estimate

p Preliminary estimate

r Revised estimate

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Nov. 1978f	Oct. 1978p	Sept. 1978r	Nov. 1977
	(\$ millions)			
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Primary Industries	97.8	126.6	150.8	86.0
Forestry	121.5	125.8	129.7	112.
Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells	267.3	261.2	258.7	249.4
Manufacturing Industries	2,402.5	2,390.9	2,382.1	2,151.0
Construction Industry	765.5	844.9	860.8	808.0
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	1,117.5	1,094.0	1,108.3	993.8
Trade	1,376.4	1,356.5	1,323.5	1,253.3
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	679.6	676.7	678.4	612.3
Commercial and Personal Service	962.4	972.8	971.0	874.3
Education and Related Services	1,122.2	1,087.2	1,041.6	1,026.8
Health and Welfare Services	644.0	660.0	651.4	589.2
Federal Administration and Other Government Offices	405.7	394.2	387.2	362.2
Provincial Administration	308.6	307.3	315.3	281.2
Local Administration	244.1	240.5	244.5	221.1
Total Wages and Salaries	10,515.3	10,538.7	10,503.3	9,620.8
Supplementary Labour Income	869.0	870.9	868.1	758.1
Labour Income	11,384.3	11,409.6	11,371.4	10,378.9
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Primary Industries	114.7	117.2	109.8	101.3
Forestry	115.8	110.8	110.3	106.6
Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells	266.7	262.4	260.0	248.6
Manufacturing Industries	2,397.0	2,356.3	2,340.3	2,145.1
Construction Industry	734.3	745.1	757.1	776.4
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	1,127.4	1,090.1	1,092.5	1,002.1
Trade	1,353.2	1,345.0	1,335.3	1,231.6
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	689.9	683.7	683.2	621.4
Commercial and Personal Service	976.4	967.9	962.3	886.6
Education and Related Services	1,077.6	1,060.8	1,043.3	965.3
Health and Welfare Services	662.7	666.9	650.0	605.2
Federal Administration and Other Government Offices	412.0	398.0	385.3	367.8
Provincial Administration	311.7	312.5	310.4	283.9
Local Administration	249.6	245.3	245.2	226.2
Total Wages and Salaries	10,489.2	10,362.0	10,285.1	9,568.1
Supplementary Labour Income	867.0	856.4	850.3	754.5
Labour Income	11,356.1	11,218.4	11,135.4	10,322.5

^f First Estimate^p Preliminary Estimate^r Revised Estimate

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

				% Change From	
	Nov. 1978	Oct. 1978	Nov. 1977	Oct. 1978	Nov. 1977
Benefits					
Amount paid (\$000)	333,303	289,898	316,721	15	5
Weeks of benefit (000)	2,990	2,630	3,063	14	-2
Average weekly benefit (\$)	111.47	110.22	103.40	1	8
Claims received (000)	306	244	318	25	-4
Beneficiaries (000)	660p	608p	702	9	-6

	To Date		% Change From
	1978	1977	11 months 1978/1977
Benefits			
Amount paid (\$000)	4,210,364	3,589,605	17
Weeks of benefit (000)	38,502	35,684	8
Average weekly benefit (\$)	109.35	100.59	9
Claims received (000)	2,529	2,489	2
Beneficiaries (1)(000)	802p	744	8

(1) Monthly average

p Preliminary figures

For further information, order the November 1978 issue of *Preliminary Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001p) or *Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-001, Quarterly), or contact George Fincham (613-992-7461), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Preliminary Report on Unemployment Insurance Statistics, November 1978 — Advance Information

For the week ending November 11, 1978, persons receiving unemployment insurance benefits numbered 660,000*, up 9% from October but 6% less than in November 1977. Sixty-three percent of the beneficiaries resided in Quebec and Ontario while 18% were in the Atlantic provinces and 18% in the Western provinces.

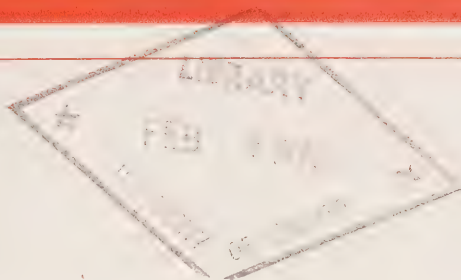
In November, unemployment insurance benefits amounted to \$333* million, an increase of 15% from the previous month and up 5% from November 1977. Year-to-date payments totalled \$4,210 million compared with \$3,590 million in the January-November 1977 period, a rise of 17%. The average weekly payment went up 9% to \$109.35 from \$100.59 in 1977.

Claims submitted in November by applicants for benefits totalled 306,000, up 25% from the previous month (an increase of this magnitude is normal between these two months). Compared with November 1977, the number of claims filed declined by 4%. For the first 11 months of 1978, a total of 2,529,000 claims were received, 2% more than in the same period of 1977.

* The count of beneficiaries cannot be related to the benefit payments made during a month. Whereas the latter figure covers all benefit payments made during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons receiving benefit for a specific week each month.

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Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending January 21, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,170,307	2,110,718	4,281,025
Short tons, 1978	2,472,731	2,039,573	4,512,304
Metric tonnes, 1979	1 968 869	1 914 811	3 883 680
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 243 224	1 850 269	4 093 493
% change	-12.2	3.5	-5.1
Cars, 1979	35,632	31,285	66,917
Cars, 1978	38,558	30,574	69,132
% change	-7.6	2.3	-3.2
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	140,638	62,797	203,435
Short tons, 1978	143,939	56,416	200,355
Metric tonnes, 1979	127 585	56 968	184 553
Metric tonnes, 1978	130 579	51 180	181 759
% change	-2.3	11.3	1.5
Cars, 1979	4,240	2,451	6,691
Cars, 1978	4,370	2,231	6,601
% change	-3.0	9.9	1.4
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	6,360,516	5,650,850	12,011,366
Short tons, 1978	6,258,449	5,239,932	11,498,381
Metric tonnes, 1979	5 770 163	5 126 365	10 896 528
Metric tonnes, 1978	5 677 569	4 753 586	10 431 155
% change	1.6	7.8	4.5
Cars, 1979	101,464	83,269	184,733
Cars, 1978	99,124	80,206	179,330
% change	2.4	3.8	3.0
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	415,540	169,360	584,900
Short tons, 1978	413,203	155,001	568,204
Metric tonnes, 1979	376 971	153 641	530 612
Metric tonnes, 1978	374 851	140 614	515 465
% change	0.6	9.3	2.9
Cars, 1979	12,424	6,472	18,896
Cars, 1978	12,311	6,273	18,584
% change	0.9	3.2	1.7

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended January 21, 1979
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Canadian railways loaded 3.9 million t (4.3 million short tons) of revenue freight in the above-noted period, down 5.2% from the preceding week and 5.1% below the same seven days of 1978. On a regional basis, loadings dropped 12.2% in the Eastern Division, while in the West rail volume rose by 3.5%.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments (included above) declined 2.3% in the East but increased 11.3% in the West for an over-all gain of 1.5%.

Rail freight loadings in the first three weeks of 1979 aggregated 10.9 million t (12.0 million short tons), up 4.5% over the same period of 1978. The total number of railway cars loaded in Canada rose 3.0% to 184,733 units. Cumulative container trailer (piggyback) traffic was 2.9% above the year-earlier level.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Oil Pipeline Transport, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian oil pipe lines received 2,633,400 barrels daily (418 474 m3D) of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in November, an increase of 1.4% from 2,595,900 B/D (412 514 m3D) a year earlier. Receipts of domestic petroleum and products increased 4.0% to 2,375,900 B/D (377 554 m3D), while those of imported petroleum and products decreased 17.4% to 257,400 B/D (40 903 m3D).

For further information, order the November issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Transcontinental and Regional Air Carrier Operations, July 1978 (51-001, 40¢/\$4)

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Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics, November 1978 (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, November 1978 (41-006, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, December 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary statistics for 1978 show that 31.6 million United States visitors entered Canada, down 0.6% from 1977, while visitors from other countries totalled 1.7 million, up 17.5% over 1977. Over-all, non-resident visitors entering Canada numbered 33.3 million, slightly higher (0.2%) than in 1977. Canadian residents returning from the U.S. decreased by 1.6% in 1978 to 37.3 million while those returning from visits to other countries increased by 1.8% to 1.8 million; in total the 39.1 million Canadians returning from visits abroad reflected a decline of 1.4%.

In 1978, preliminary data indicate that long-term traffic from the U.S. declined only slightly (0.5%) to 12.0 million persons while long-term visitors from other countries registered a sharp increase of 15.7% to 1.4 million. U.S. long-term auto traffic decreased by 2.5% to 8.7 million, due to a drop of 3.1% to 7.0 million in the "two or more nights" category, while non-auto traffic rose by 4.9% to 3.4 million. Plane traffic totalled 1.7 million, an increase of 4.6% over 1977.

Preliminary figures for Canadian long-term traffic (returning) from the U.S. show a 1.2% decrease to 11.9 million re-entries. An increase of 6.3% to 3.6 million in long-term Canadian non-auto traffic was offset by a decrease of 4.1% to 8.3 million in the long-term auto traffic from the U.S. As noted above, Canadian residents returning from visits to countries other than the U.S. (which is primarily long-term traffic) numbered 1.8 million in 1978, 1.8% higher than in 1977.

For December 1978, preliminary statistics show that 1.6 million U.S. visitors entered Canada, up 5.8% over December 1977, while the number of Canadian residents returning from the U.S. increased 1.4% to 2.2 million. Visitors from other countries entering Canada totalled 78,700, a gain of 14.7% from a year earlier, while Canadians returning from these countries rose by 15.3% to 94,300.

For further information, order the December issue of *International Travel — Advance Information* (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. M. Valiquette (613-995-0847), Chief, International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Radio Broadcasting, October 1978 — Advance Information

Gross national AM and FM radio air-time sales were \$10.3 million in October, an increase of 14.4% from \$9.0 million in October 1977. Net national sales after deduction of agency and other commissions amounted to \$8.7 million, up 14.5% from \$7.6 million in the previous year.

Net local air-time sales were up 14.3% to \$20.0 million in October from \$17.5 million.

Gross radio air-time sales for January to October were \$261.3 million in 1978 compared to \$225.3 million in 1977, an increase of 16.0%. Net sales rose 15.7% to \$243.0 million from \$210.0 million.

For further information, order the October issue of *Radio Broadcasting* (56-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,277,984,000 square feet (118 728 000 m²) of corrugated boxes and wrappers in December, an increase of 11.0% from a revised 1,151,500,000 square feet (106 978 000 m²) a year earlier.

Manufacturers' shipments totalled 18,390,393,000 square feet (1 708 524 000 m²) in 1978 compared to a revised 17,148,458,000 square feet (1 593 146 000 m²) in 1977.

For further information, order the December issue of *Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Domestic and Foreign Control of Manufacturing, Mining and Logging Establishments in Canada, 1974 (31-401, \$2.10)

Oils and Fats, November 1978 (32-006, 30¢/\$3)

Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles, December 1978 (47-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Factory Shipments of High Pressure Decorative Laminate Sheet, Quarter Ended December 31, 1978 (47-005, 35¢/\$1.40)

Monthly Production of Soft Drinks, December 1978 (32-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

December 1978 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Dec. 1977	% Change	
				Dec. 78/ Nov. 78	Dec. 78/ Dec. 77
Total Index	199.4	198.9	183.9	0.3	8.4
Materials	185.8	185.1	168.5	0.4	10.3
Steel and Metal Work	192.4	192.4	172.8	—	11.3
Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning	171.7	171.6	157.3	0.1	9.2
Electrical Equipment	175.4	172.3	156.5	1.8	12.1
Concrete Products	203.6	202.0	189.6	0.8	7.4
Lumber and Lumber Products	244.0	240.5	191.9	1.5	27.1
Other	178.6	179.3	169.0	-0.4	5.7
Labour	214.5	214.1	201.0	0.2	6.7

r Revised figures.

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G. John (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Union Wage Rate Indexes including selected pay supplements are now available for December 1978.

Annual averages for these indexes for 1978 are now available.

The Construction Industry: Special Trades Contractors, 1977 — Advance Information

Preliminary information in the form of a bulletin is available free of charge on the large firm segment of the special trades contracting industry. Included are a series of financial and operational ratios covering contractors specializing in some 34 sub-industry groups such as plumbing, electrical, painting and decorating, glass and glazing, etc. Total operating revenue amounted to \$3.9 billion in 1977. The sample included some 2,120 establishments. For further information, contact Mr. R. Dubeau (613-995-8192), Construction Census Section, Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Salt, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian shipments of salt and salt content of brine increased to 827,336 short tons in December from 747,289 short tons a year earlier. Output for the year 1978 rose to 7,112,422 short tons from 6,657,390 short tons in 1977.

For further information, order the December issue of *Salt* (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, October 1978 — Advance Information

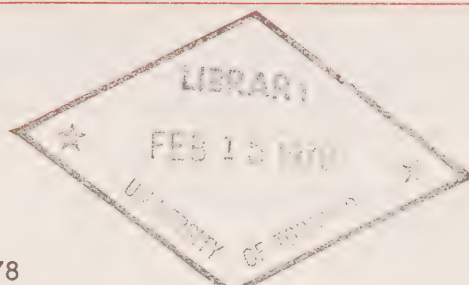
Crude petroleum production for the month of October averaged 1,479,000 barrels daily (235 000 cubic metres/day), up 7.9% from 1,370,400 barrels/day (217 700 cubic metres/day) in October 1977.

Net new production of natural gas for the latest period averaged 9,276,700 Mcf./day (262 800 thousands of cubic metres/day), a decrease of 3.9% from 9,651,100 Mcf./day (273 400 thousands of cubic metres/day) in October 1977.

For further information, order the October issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, January 1979 (32-009, 30¢/\$3)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, October 1978 (35-003, 30¢/\$3)

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, January 1, 1979 (32-010, 30¢/\$3)

Farm Cash Receipts, January-December 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates indicate that during the year 1978 farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland totalled \$11,879.5 million compared to \$10,136.6 million realized in 1977. These estimates include: cash receipts from the sale of farm products; Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous years' grain crops; cash advances on farm-stored grains in Western Canada; and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No deduction is made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

For further information, order the December issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Peter Lys (613-995-4895), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Total Cash Receipts from Farming Operations

(millions of dollars)

	1977	1978
Prince Edward Island	88.5	96.9
Nova Scotia	127.5	143.9
New Brunswick	109.2	118.2
Quebec	1,425.7	1,647.7
Ontario	2,857.9	3,349.3
Manitoba	898.9	1,129.6
Saskatchewan	2,141.0	2,509.9
Alberta	1,986.1	2,326.1
British Columbia	501.8	557.9
Canada	10,136.6	11,879.5

Telephone Statistics, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canada's 13 major telephone systems reported revenues of \$389.2 million in December, up 14.2% from a year earlier. Operating expenses were \$272.3 million, an increase of 17.1%. Net operating revenue at \$116.9 million showed an increase of 7.9% over December 1977. Telephone toll messages rose 6.7% to 90.3 million.

For further information, order the December issue of *Telephone Statistics* (56-002, \$1.50 a year), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, November 1978 — Advance Information

Advance information on canned and frozen fruits and vegetables is now available for the month of November.

For further information, order the November issue of *Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended February 3, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended February 3 was 354,128 short tons (321 260 t), an increase of 2.2% from the preceding week's total of 346,516 short tons (314 354 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 305,012 short tons (276 702 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 193.3 in the current week, 189.1 a week earlier and 166.5 a year earlier.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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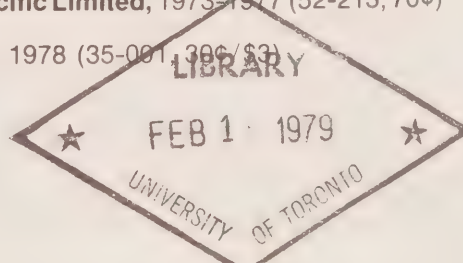
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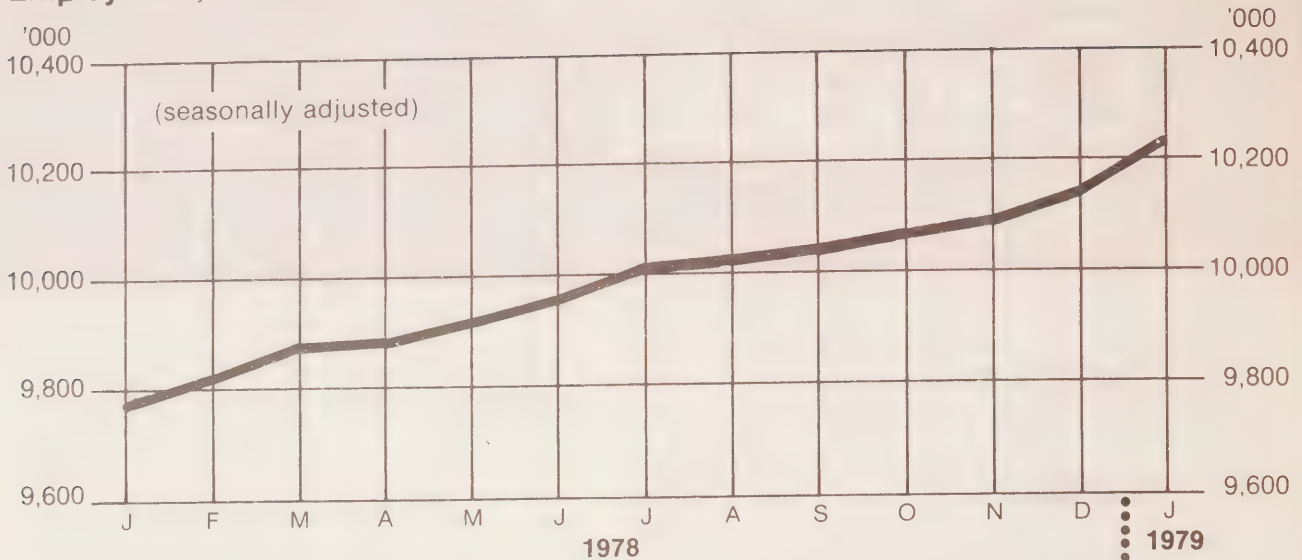
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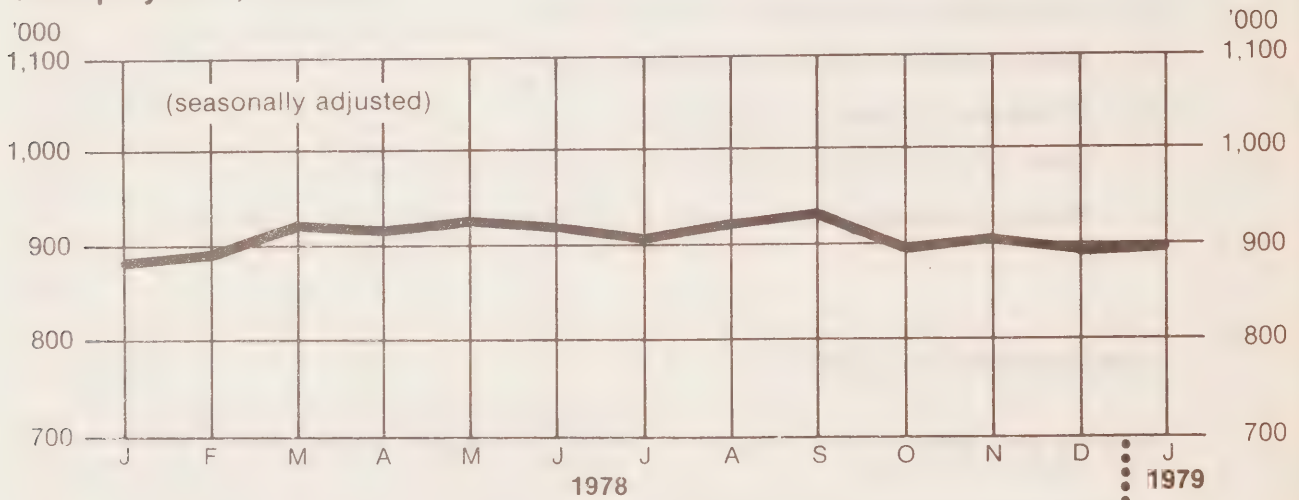
Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, October 1978 (35-001, 30¢/\$3)



Employment, Canada



Unemployment, Canada



The Labour Force, January 1979

Employment rose in January while unemployment showed little change, but Canada's seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate remained at 8.1%, the same as in December. The rate in January 1978 was 8.3%. The seasonally-adjusted participation rate was 63.4% in January, up from 63.0% in the preceding month. The employment/population ratio reached a new high at 58.3%, up from 57.9% in December.

Last month, the seasonally-adjusted level of employment at 10,232,000 was up 90,000 from the month before. Increases were recorded in the four main age/sex groups: men 15 to 24 (21,000), women 15-24 (23,000), men 25 and over (22,000) and women 25 and over (24,000).

Unemployment, seasonally adjusted, totalled 897,000 compared with 895,000 in December. The level increased by 10,000 for men 25 years of age and over, while it showed small decreases for the other three main age/sex groups.

Seasonally adjusted unemployment rates for the provinces, with December rates in brackets: Newfoundland 17.6% (17.0%); Prince Edward Island 11.3% (11.1%); Nova Scotia 11.5% (10.3%); New Brunswick 11.6% (11.6%); Quebec 10.7% (10.5%); Ontario 6.8% (6.9%); Manitoba 5.4% (5.9%); Saskatchewan 5.1% (4.7%); Alberta 4.0% (4.3%); and British Columbia 8.2% (8.9%).

Without seasonal adjustment, the January labour force was 10,789,000 with 9,812,000 employed and 977,000 unemployed for an unemployment rate of 9.1%. In December, the labour force was 10,871,000 with 10,012,000 employed and 859,000 unemployed for a rate of 7.9%. In January 1978, the labour force numbered 10,342,000 with 9,365,000 employed and 977,000 unemployed for a rate of 9.4%.

For further information, order the January issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing

(1971=100)

	Relative Importance(1)	Index			Percent Change		Percent Contribution to Total Change	
		Dec.* 1978	Nov.* 1978	Dec. 1977	Dec. '78/ Nov. '78	Dec. '78/ Dec. '77	Dec. '78/ Nov. '78	Dec. '78/ Dec. '77
Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing	100.0	195.8	195.3	178.3	0.3	9.8	100.0	100.0
SIC Major Groups:								
1. Food and Beverage Industries	19.9	214.5	213.6	190.8	0.4	12.4	34.0	26.8
2. Tobacco Products Industries	1.1	150.8	149.2	145.2	1.1	3.9	3.5	0.4
3. Rubber and Plastics Products Industries	2.5	160.4	159.6	151.7	0.5	5.7	3.9	1.3
4. Leather Industries	0.9	204.7	202.9	177.1	0.9	15.6	3.0	1.4
5. Textile Industries	3.5	164.8	164.3	153.2	0.3	7.6	3.4	2.3
6. Knitting Mills	0.9	143.9	143.3	134.0	0.4	7.4	1.0	0.5
8. Wood Industries	4.7	241.2	242.0	200.0	-0.3	20.6	-7.2	11.1
9. Furniture and Fixture Industries	1.6	190.6	189.4	175.3	0.6	8.7	3.7	1.4
10. Paper and Allied Industries	8.2	216.6	215.6	194.0	0.5	11.6	15.5	10.5
12. Primary Metal Industries	8.4	220.6	219.9	194.7	0.3	13.3	11.1	12.3
13. Metal Fabricating Industries	7.5	192.5	192.0	177.1	0.3	8.7	7.1	6.6
14. Machinery Industries	4.4	172.8	172.5	162.9	0.2	6.1	2.5	2.5
16. Electrical Products Industries	6.8	159.8	159.6	151.4	0.1	5.5	2.6	3.2
17. Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries	3.2	194.4	194.5	180.7	-0.1	7.6	-0.6	2.5
18. Petroleum and Coal Products Industries	4.2
19. Chemical and Chemical Products Industries	6.6	193.4	192.7	180.2	0.4	7.3	8.7	4.9
Other Major Groups(2)	15.6	166.8	166.5	153.1	0.2	9.0	7.9	12.1

* These indexes are preliminary.

(1) Group weights are based on 1971 value of shipments (Census of Manufactures, 1971)

(2) Included are the following major groups: 7. Clothing Industries, 15. Transportation Equipment Industries, 20. Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing (1971=100), December 1978 — Advance Information

The Industry Selling Price Index for manufacturing rose 0.3% to 195.8 in December from its revised November level of 195.3. The index was 9.8% higher than in December 1977 when it stood at 178.3. The major groups having the most impact on the total index in December were food and beverage industries, paper and allied industries and primary metal industries.

The food and beverage group index rose 0.4% due largely to price increases of 3.1% in the fish products industry, 8.7% for vegetable oil mills and 1.3% for the feed industry. There was a partly-offsetting decrease of 0.5% for slaughtering and meat processors.

An increase of 0.6% in pulp and paper mills was mainly responsible for a rise of 0.5% in the paper and allied products group index.

The primary metal group index rose 0.3% largely on account of increases of 0.5% for smelting and refining, 1.5% for aluminum rolling, casting and extruding and 0.1% for iron and steel mills.

For further information, contact the Information Unit (613-995-5738 or 5739), Industrial Prices Section, Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5 or order the December issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, 55¢/\$5.50).

Motor Vehicle Production, December 1978 — Advance Information

Production of passenger cars totalled 84,853 units in December, up from 82,173 in December 1977.

For further information, order the December issue of *Motor Vehicle Shipments* (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stoves and Ranges, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of electric stoves and ranges increased by 25.3% in December to 36,919 units from 29,475 in December 1977. Closing inventory of these products decreased by 6.2% to 67,754 units from 72,210 a year earlier.

For further information, order the December issue of *Stoves and Furnaces* (41-005, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory Services staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island by telephoning 1-800-565-7192. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Radio and Television Receiving Sets, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of "Made in Canada" colour television sets totalled 11,967 units in December 1978.

For further information, order the December issue of *Radio and Television Receiving Sets* (43-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Federal Government Employment in Metropolitan Areas, September 1978 — Advance Information

General government employees working in Canadian metropolitan areas numbered 279,576 in September 1978, with a regular monthly payroll of \$497.7 million (includes an extra pay period). The data include 35,607 members of the Canadian Armed Forces with military pay and allowances of \$52.6 million.

For further information, order the September 1978 issue of *Federal Government Employment in Metropolitan Areas* (72-205, \$1.05), or contact Mr. G.M. McIlveen (613-995-9894), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Crime and Traffic Enforcement Statistics, 1977 (85-205, \$5.25)

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Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural)

		1977		1978	
		Year-to-Date	December	Year-to-Date	December
		19	19	20	20
Carriers Reporting					
Passenger Revenue Earned					
Intercity & Rural Services	\$	136,878,238r*	14,206,052r*	142,770,591	13,465,959
Urban-Suburban Services	\$	350,685r	30,418r	341,944	31,875
Other Services (e.g. charter)	\$	20,958,423r	964,154r	46,276,172	2,731,393
Fare Passengers Carried					
Intercity & Rural Services	No.	33,072,156r*	2,926,232r*	33,837,301	2,777,221
Urban-Suburban Services	No.	709,781r	62,770r	603,178	41,411
Other Services (e.g. charter)	No.	**	**	**	**
Total Distance Run					
Intercity & Rural Services	miles:	122,937,882r*	11,507,418r*	121,915,986	10,824,364
	km:	197 849 343r*	18 519 394r*	196 204 762	17 420 127
Urban-Suburban Services	miles:	329,043r	25,647	384,669	30,684
	km:	529 543r	41 275	619 064	49 381
Other Services (e.g. charter)	miles:	13,857,935r	645,087r	33,969,585	1,782,085
	km:	22 302 185r	1 038 167r	54 668 750	2 867 987
Fuel Consumed					
Diesel Oil	gal.:	20,113,717r	1,839,477r	20,683,091	1,872,838
	litres:	91 438 768r	8 362 428r	94 027 191	8 514 091
Gasoline	gal.:	91,757r	10,997r	3,474,613	264,058
	litres:	417 136r	49 993	15 795 902	1 200 431

* Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

** The number of fare passengers carried for "Other Services" is not kept by all carriers.

r Revised figures.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), December 1978 — Published Only in the *Statistics Canada Daily*

The accompanying table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available. Figures have been added showing total distance run and fuel consumed, using the International System of Units; this is the most modern version of the metric system, supported by the International Bureau of Weights and Measures and is the system of units which Canada is adopting.

The following observations apply to the data in this release:

- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of over-all charter and contract operations.
- Passengers paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and travelling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only.
- Total distance run in a revenue service includes distance run empty which was necessary to provide the revenue service.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Urban Transit, December 1978 — Advance Information

In December, 54 urban transit systems collected 101,066,208 initial passenger fares. The total distance run was 32,901,808 miles (52 950 333 km) and operating revenues amounted to \$37,972,056.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6 or order the December issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50).

Iron Ore, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian mines shipped 5,419,720 short tons of iron ore in December, up from 4,780,951 short tons a year earlier. Output declined in 1978 to a total of 47,334,831 short tons from 59,107,141 short tons in 1977.

For further information, order the December issue of *Iron Ore* (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Airport Activity,

June 1978

	Toronto International	Montreal International	Mirabel International
June 1977	946,701	472,228	112,977
June 1978	1,033,778	488,721	115,865
% change	9.2	3.5	2.6

Airport Activity, June 1978 — Advance Information

Airport activity statistics for the top 50 airports in Canada are now available for the month of June 1978.

Total scheduled enplaned plus deplaned passenger statistics for Toronto International, Montreal (Dorval) International and Mirabel International are shown in the accompanying table.

The complete airport tables and further information may be obtained by contacting Mr. E. DiSanza (819-997-1986), Airport Activity Survey, Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Papermakers and Other Felts, October-December 1978 — Advance Information

During the December quarter, Canadian manufacturers shipped 356,407 pounds (161 663 kg) of woven and needled papermakers' felts and jackets valued at \$5,863,604 to Canadian mills. In the same quarter of 1977, totals were 351,049 pounds (159 233 kg) and \$5,052,325.

For further information, order the *Miscellaneous Industries Service Bulletin* (47-003, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact Mr. Elliott Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, December 1978 — Advance Information

Packers, dealers and tanners held 191,040 cattle hides in December, down from 229,970 a year earlier. Cattle hide receipts increased to 192,406 from 162,062 and wettings increased to 188,723 from 168,485.

For further information, order the December issue of *Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather* (33-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Seed Potato Prices, New Brunswick, 1977 — Advance Information

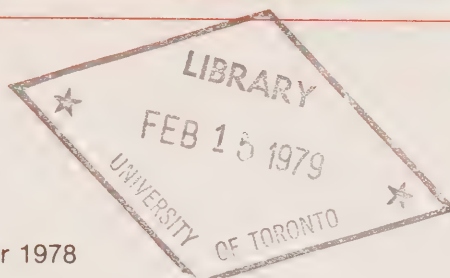
A seed potato price survey was conducted recently in New Brunswick to determine the average prices paid to growers for the 1977 seed potato crop. The average prices of the 1977 crop were as follows: Elite 2 and 3, 4.14¢ per pound; Foundation, 3.20¢ per pound; Elite 2 and 3 and Foundation, 3.60¢ per pound.

For further information, contact K.C. Wardley (613-995-4877), Horticultural Crops Unit, Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Fabricated Structural Steel

Updated indexes for fabricated structural steel are now available. Quarterly and annual figures are available to the end of 1978 and may be retrieved from CANSIM matrix 125. For further information, contact Mr. A.A. Near (613-995-5761), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Precast Concrete

Updated indexes for precast concrete are now available. Semi-annual and annual figures are now available to the end of 1978 and may be retrieved from CANSIM matrix 126. For further information, contact Mr. A.A. Near (613-995-5761), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

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The Labour Force, January 1979 (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50)

Building Permits, November 1978 (64-001, 70¢/\$7)

Copper and Nickel Production, November 1978 (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Oil Filters and Cartridges, December 1978 (41-016, 15¢/\$1.50)

Electric Lamps, December 1978 (43-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Wholesale Price Indexes

(1935-39=100)

	% Change					
	Dec. 1978*	Nov. 1978*	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Dec. 78/ Nov. 78	Dec. 78/ Dec. 77
General wholesale index	643.3	639.9	571.7	572.2	0.5	12.5
Vegetable products	523.9	517.0	489.1	497.1	1.3	7.1
Animal products	727.9	721.9	610.1	597.9	0.8	19.3
Textile products	523.8	522.3	471.0	471.6	0.3	11.2
Wood products	944.3	943.8	821.0	821.2	0.1	15.0
Iron products	677.9	676.8	612.3	612.4	0.2	10.7
Non-ferrous metals including gold	581.0	577.5	496.5	502.4	0.6	17.0
Non-metallic minerals	515.0	515.3	492.4	493.6	-0.1	4.6
Chemical products	451.6	448.8	412.5	410.0	0.6	9.5
Summary indexes						
Iron products and non-ferrous metals excluding gold	748.8	747.8	660.7	664.2	0.1	13.3
Raw and partly manufactured goods	601.7	595.3	522.6	530.7	1.1	15.1
Fully and chiefly manufactured goods	664.9	663.3	597.8	593.9	0.2	11.2

* These indexes are preliminary.

General Wholesale Price Index (1935-39=100), December 1978 — Advance Information

The General Wholesale Index rose 0.5% in December to 643.3 from its revised November level of 639.9. The index was 12.5% higher than in December 1977 when it stood at 571.7. The major groups having the most effect on the total index in December were vegetable products, animal products and non-ferrous metals including gold.

The vegetable products group index rose 1.3% due largely to price increases of 3.5% for tobacco, 1.0% for grains, 4.8% for vegetable oil products and 1.9% for sugar and its products. Tea, coffee and cocoa registered a partly-offsetting decrease of 1.5%.

Increases of 3.9% for fish and 1.4% for livestock were mainly responsible for an increase of 0.8% in the animal products group. Prices of fresh meats decreased 0.8%.

A rise of 0.6% in the non-ferrous metals group index in December mostly reflected increases of 18.2% for gold and 1.3% for silver. Tin decreased by 5.2%.

For further information, order the December issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Information Unit, Industrial Prices (613-995-5738), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Note To Data Users

Data users should note that due to Statistics Canada budgetary reductions the *General Wholesale Price Index* and the *Canadian Farm Products Price Indexes* are discontinued following the release of December 1978 data.

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of refrigerators totalled 38,980 in December compared to 37,629 a year earlier, and month-end stocks rose to 86,939 units from 84,589. Domestic sales of home and farm freezers increased to 17,545 from 13,786, while month-end stocks decreased to 29,402 from 33,188.

For further information, order the December issue of *Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers* (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

New Motor Vehicle Sales, December 1978 — Advance Information

New motor vehicles sold in December totalled 74,010 units, down 7.2% from a year earlier. This included 45,373 passenger cars (up 1.6%) and 21,676 commercial vehicles (up 0.5%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S., and 6,433 passenger cars (down 48.6%) and 528 commercial vehicles (down 48.9%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value increased 7.7% to \$581.1 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$317.9 million (up 11.6%) and commercial vehicles for \$214.7 million (up 16.1%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas decreased 29.9% to \$45.0 million and those of commercial vehicles decreased 37.6% to \$3.5 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 264 units of coaches and buses valued at \$8.2 million.

Seasonally-adjusted December sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. increased 7.6% from November to 61,846 units while those of passenger cars from overseas decreased 9.9% to 10,092 units. Similarly-adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were up 3.2% to 30,480 units.

Total sales of new motor vehicles in 1978 reached 1,366,456 units (1,344,959 in 1977), with an accumulated value of \$9,648.5 million. This represented an increase of 12.9% in value over sales for the year 1977.

For further information, order the December issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact M. Kwilecki (613-996-9304), Retail Trade Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, January 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the month of January 1979 was 1,518,871 short tons (1 377 897 t). Pig iron production totalled 1,049,062 short tons (951 693 t).

For further information, order the January issue of *Steel Ingots and Pig Iron* (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V3.

Tuberculosis Statistics, 1977 — Advance Information

Tuberculosis incidence of new active and reactivated cases for the year 1977 totalled 3,194 compared to 3,143 in 1976. The rate per 100,000 population was 13.7 for both years. Of the 3,194 tuberculosis cases reported in 1977, 1,002 were immigrants residing in Canada. In 1976, of the 3,143 tuberculosis cases, 1,014 were immigrants.

Pending publication of *Tuberculosis Statistics: Morbidity and Mortality, 1977* (82-212), advance information is available from A. Bourdon (613-995-0861), Vital Statistics and Disease Registries Section, Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Corporation Financial Statistics, 1976 — Advance Information

Financial characteristics reported by Canadian corporations in 1976 reflected a continuation of the lower rates of economic growth that had prevailed since 1974. Total assets of all industries rose 13% to \$547 billion in 1976 from \$483 billion in 1975, the same percentage increase as for the prior year. At the 182-industry level, the fastest rate of growth again took place in the fertilizer industry where assets jumped 82% to \$218 million from \$120 million. In services, "other recreational services" reported an increase in assets of 66% from the \$1.0 billion recorded in 1975.

Non-financial corporations had total revenue of \$323 billion in 1976, up from \$286 billion in the previous year, an increase of 13% compared to advances of 11% in 1975 and 27% in 1974. The largest percentage increases in revenue occurred for retail tobacconists (up 45% to \$183 million), closely followed by pipelines (up 44% to \$2,756 million) and gas distribution companies (up 43% to \$2,114 million).

In the financial sector there was a \$457 million increase in pretax profits in 1976, compared to a rise of \$354 million in 1975. In the non-financial sector, a turnaround in profitability took place with profits up \$606 million (3%) in 1976 compared to the \$878 million decline posted in 1975. Total pretax profits in all industries rose \$1,063 million (5%) to \$24.4 billion, after a 2% decrease in the previous year. Some industries which in the previous year had reported losses showed the greatest recovery: sawmills had pretax profits in 1976 of \$121 million compared with a \$9 million loss in 1975, and manufacturers of fish products reported profits of \$16 million in 1976 versus a \$5 million loss in 1975. Synthetic textiles on the other hand continued to decline, with losses in 1976 increasing to \$34 million from \$3 million in 1975. In the transportation sector, air transport reported losses up to \$34 million in 1976 from \$18 million in 1975. In railroads, although profitability increased to \$132 million in 1976 from \$84 million in 1975, reversing the prior year's decline, water transport showed a decrease in profits to \$10 million in 1976 from \$61 million in 1975. One of the highest ratios of net profit after tax to equity recorded in 1976 was 33.9% in the bakery products industry (17.4% in 1975).

Further information may be obtained from Mr. A. Dorland (613-996-5980), Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. Additional details on a 182-industry basis, including key corporate financial ratios are available in the 1976 issue of *Corporation Financial Statistics* (catalogue 61-207).

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of automatic washing machines were 27,849 units in December, up from 26,653 in December 1977. Canadian sales of electric clothes dryers were 27,065 units compared to 27,423 a year earlier.

For further information, order the December issue of *Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers* (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, November 1978 — Advance Information

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies increased in November to 593,055,000 feet board measure (1 399 454 m³) from a revised 521,198,000 feet board measure (1 229 891 m³) in November 1977. Stocks on hand at the end of November 1978 totalled 586,203,000 feet board measure (1 383 285 m³).

For further information, order the November issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Sugar Sales, January 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian sugar refineries reported total sales of 83 932 766 kilograms (185,040,553 lbs.) of all types of sugar for January 1979. Domestic sales totalled 72 961 728 kilograms (160,853,102 lbs.) and export sales amounted to 10 971 038 kilograms (24,187,451 lbs.).

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Canadian Farm Products Indexes (1971=100), December 1978 — Advance Information

The Canadian Farm Products Index for Canada rose to 212.2 in December, an increase of 1.3% from November.

For further details, order the December issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Information Unit, Industrial Prices (613-995-5738), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, November 1978 — Advance Information

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 1,037.7 million feet board measure (2 448 700 m³) of lumber and ties in November compared to 1,004.2 million feet board measure (2 369 600 m³) a year earlier.

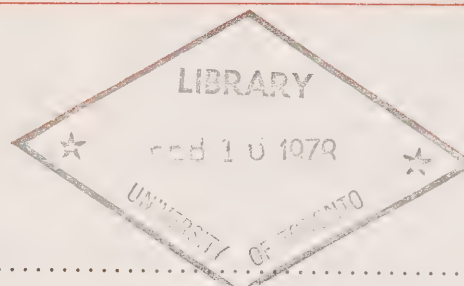
January to November production increased to 11,554.8 million feet board measure (27 266 300 m³) in 1978 from 11,125.8 million feet board measure (26 254 000 m³) in 1977.

For further information, order the November issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Fabricated Structural Steel Indexes

Updated indexes for fabricated structural steel are now available. Quarterly and annual figures are available to the end of 1977 and may be retrieved from CANSIM Matrix 125. For further information, contact Mr. A. A. Near (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

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The Labour Force, January 1978 (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

Retail Trade, December 1977 — Advance Information
Seasonally-adjusted retail sales for December were \$5,395.2 million, a decrease of 0.3% from the \$5,412.2 million recorded in November. Sales were higher in 15 of the 28 trade groups. Specialty shoe stores (13.6%) and sporting goods and accessories stores (7.7%) showed the greatest increases while variety stores (-8.2%) and department stores (-5.7%) had the largest decreases. Eight provinces posted decreased sales from November, ranging from -0.2% for Manitoba to -4.6% for Newfoundland. The only increases occurred in Prince Edward Island (0.5%) and British Columbia (0.2%).

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment reached \$6,802.1 million, an increase of 7.7% over December 1976. Sales were up in 24 of the 28 trade groups with the largest gains registered by family shoe stores (25.5%) and sporting goods and accessories stores (25.3%). All provinces reported increased sales over December 1976, ranging from 15.5% for Alberta to 4.2% for Saskatchewan. Montreal sales rose 6.5%; Toronto 1.8%; Winnipeg 8.5%; and Vancouver 13.9%.

Revised total retail trade, unadjusted for seasonal influences, for November was \$5,629.8 million, an increase of 12.2% from November 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Fur Production, 1976-77 — Advance Information

Value of pelts sold during the 1976-77 season was \$72,137,585, up 34% from the previous season. Wildlife pelts brought in \$47,821,085 or 66% of the total. Fur farm production accounted for \$24,316,500, up from \$19,739,019 in the 1975-76 season.

For further information, order the 1976-77 issue of *Fur Production* (23-207, 70¢), or contact J.H. Dickson (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Industrial Chemicals, December 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 74,433,313 pounds (33 762 383 kg) of polyethylene-type synthetic resins in December compared to 64,975,979 pounds (29 472 609 kg) in December 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Specified Chemicals* (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, January 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for January 1978 was 1,310,252 short tons (1 188 641 t). Preliminary pig iron production for the month of January was 945,441 short tons (857 690 t).

For further information, order the January issue of *Steel Ingots and Pig Iron* (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V3.

Sugar Sales, January 1978 — Advance Information

For January, Canadian sugar refineries reported total sales of 75 172 124 kilograms (165,726,189 lbs.) of all types of sugar. Domestic sales totalled 68 162 916 kilograms (150,273,529 lbs.) and export sales amounted to 7 009 208 kilograms (15,452,660 lbs.).

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Battery Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

Battery manufacturers shipped \$126.1 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 10.4% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 4.5% to \$74.4 million, the number of employees increased 7.8% to 2,969 and total salaries and wages increased 23.6% to \$34.5 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Battery Manufacturers, 1976* (43-208, 70¢).

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Minority Language Enrolments

Tables providing preliminary 1978-79 provincial figures on minority language enrolments at the elementary and secondary levels of education are now available. Requests should be forwarded to Mr. J. Seidle (613-995-9795), Head, Elementary-Secondary Student-Teacher Unit, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Railway Carloadings, December 1978 (52-001, 30¢/\$3)

Silver, Lead and Zinc Production, November 1978 (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Selected Principal Statistics for Cotton Yarn and Cloth Mills

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	22	21	-4.5
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	6,791	6,484	-4.5
Man-hours paid	000's	14,236	13,375	-6.0
Manufacturing wages	\$000	59,421	59,477	0.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	9,375	9,935	6.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	216,244	241,258	11.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	363,864	392,015	7.7
Value added	\$000	148,591	146,154	-1.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	8,947	8,700	-2.8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	86,034	90,165	4.8
Total value added	\$000	149,006	144,185	-3.2

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Cotton Yarn and Cloth Mills* 1977 (34-205, 70¢).

Oils and Fats — Manufacturers' Sales

December 1978 — Advance Information

	Margarine	Shortening*	Salad Oils	Margarine	Shortening*	Salad Oils
	thousands of pounds			metric tonnes		
Retail						
(20 lbs. (9.072 kg) or less)						
1978	26,641	4,074	5,379	12 084	1 848	2 440
1977	26,357	4,449	6,021	11 955	2 018	2 731
Commercial						
(21-450 lbs. (9.525-204.117 kg))						
1978	1,914	11,799	2,577	868	5 352	1 169
1977	1,726	12,274	1,488	783	5 567	675
Bulk						
To packagers or bottlers						
1978	13,403	7,212	7,383	6 079	3 271	3 349
1977	12,340	3,308	7,140	5 597	1 500	3 239
To other than packagers or bottlers						
1978	x	11,238	3,389	x	5 097	1 537
1977	—	11,055	1,440	—	5 014	653

* Includes baking and frying oils and fats.

x Confidential to meet secrecy requirements of the Statistics Act.

— Nil.

For further information, order the December issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

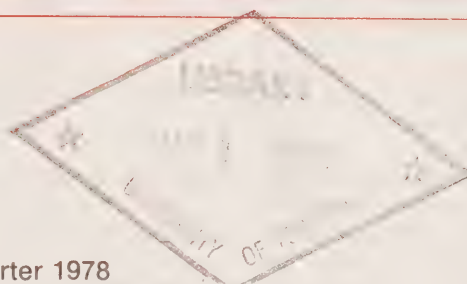
Particle Board, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian firms produced 61,220,000 square feet (5 687 000 m²) 5/8" (15.9 mm) basis of particle board in December compared to 50,714,000 square feet (4 711 000 m²) in December 1977, an increase of 20.7%.

For further information, order the December issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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- Department Store Sales by Regions**, December 1978 (63-004, 15¢/\$1.50)
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Farm Input Price Indexes

(1971=100)

	Eastern Canada QIV 1978	Western Canada QIV 1978	Canada QIV 1978
Total Farm Input (p)	203.1	207.6	205.5
Building and Fencing	207.9	212.3	209.7
Machinery and Motor Vehicles	180.0	181.7	181.7
Crop Production	227.0	233.9	229.5
Animal Production	211.0	226.8	217.7
Supplies and Services	177.8	178.0	177.9
Hired Farm Labour	213.0	245.4	225.4
Property Taxes (p)	114.2	169.7	147.3
Interest (p)	251.6	236.0	242.8
Farm Rent (p)	190.1	220.0	210.7

*p Preliminary figures.***Farm Input Price Indexes (1971=100), Fourth Quarter 1978 — Advance Information**

The Farm Input Price Index for Canada increased 2.9% in the fourth quarter of 1978 to 205.5 from 199.7 (revised) in the preceding quarter. The eastern index rose 3.5% to 203.1 from 196.2 (revised) and the western index was up 2.2% to 207.6 from 203.2 (revised).

Over the last 12 months the index rose 13.0% for Canada, 13.0% for the East and 12.8% for the West.

For further information, order the fourth quarter issue of *Farm Input Price Indexes* (62-004, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact the Information Unit (613-995-5738), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Department Store Sales by Regions, December 1978

Department store sales rose to \$1,178.3 million in December, an increase of 11.9% from a year earlier. Sales were up in all regions of Canada.

Department store sales by regions for the latest month, with percentage increases from December 1977 in brackets:

- Ontario, \$444.3 million (10.1%).
- Quebec, \$224.5 million (13.9%).
- British Columbia, \$183.6 million (13.9%).
- Alberta, \$149.9 million (16.1%).
- Atlantic Provinces, \$82.3 million (11.4%).
- Manitoba, \$60.8 million (3.4%).
- Saskatchewan, \$32.9 million (11.1%).

For further information, order the December issue of *Department Store Sales by Regions* (63-004, \$1.50 a year).

Coal and Coke Statistics, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian coal production increased 15.9% in November to 3,073,449 tons (2 788 186 metric tonnes) from 2,651,225 tons (2 405 151 metric tonnes) a year earlier. Year-to-date production at 30,416,090 tons (27 593 013 metric tonnes) was up 6.1% from January-November 1977. Imports increased to 2,353,924 tons (2 135 444 metric tonnes) in November from 1,444,032 tons (1 310 004 metric tonnes).

Industrial consumers used 2,371,504 tons (2 151 392 metric tonnes) of coal in the latest month,

up 107,585 tons (97 599 metric tonnes) from November 1977 and 453,475 tons (411 386 metric tonnes) of coke, down 42,260 tons (38 338 metric tonnes).

For further information, order the November issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Production of Eggs and Poultry, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian egg production increased by 0.3% to 38.1 million dozen in December from 38.0 million dozen a year earlier. The average number of layers was down 3.2% to 23.3 million from 24.0 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased 3.6% to 1,963 from 1,895.

For further information, order the December issue of *Production of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4853), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended February 10, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended February 10 was 347,958 short tons (315 662 t), a decrease of 1.7% from the preceding week's total of 354,128 short tons (321 260 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 296,611 short tons (269 081 t).

The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 189.9 in the current week, 193.3 a week earlier and 161.9 a year earlier.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

10-day period ending January 31, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	3,268,072	3,390,287	6,658,359
Short tons, 1978	3,738,475	3,005,480	6,743,955
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 964 745	3 075 617	6 040 362
Metric tonnes, 1978	3 391 487	2 726 526	6 118 013
% change	-12.6	12.8	-1.3
Cars, 1979	54,380	50,495	104,875
Cars, 1978	57,850	45,899	103,749
% change	-6.0	10.0	1.1
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	225,994	91,940	317,934
Short tons, 1978	224,385	82,570	306,955
Metric tonnes, 1979	205 018	83 407	288 425
Metric tonnes, 1978	203 559	74 906	278 465
% change	0.7	11.3	3.6
Cars, 1979	7,027	3,769	10,796
Cars, 1978	6,684	3,341	10,025
% change	5.1	12.8	7.7
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	9,628,228	9,041,137	18,669,365
Short tons, 1978	9,996,924	8,245,412	18,242,336
Metric tonnes, 1979	8 734 581	8 201 981	16 936 562
Metric tonnes, 1978	9 069 057	7 480 112	16 549 169
% change	-3.7	9.6	2.3
Cars, 1979	155,840	133,764	289,604
Cars, 1978	156,974	126,105	283,079
% change	-0.7	6.1	2.3
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	641,534	261,300	902,834
Short tons, 1978	637,588	237,571	875,159
Metric tonnes, 1979	581 990	237 047	819 037
Metric tonnes, 1978	578 410	215 521	793 931
% change	0.6	10.0	3.2
Cars, 1979	19,451	10,241	29,692
Cars, 1978	18,995	9,614	28,609
% change	2.4	6.5	3.8

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 10 Days Ended January 31, 1979— Published Only in the *Statistics Canada Daily*

Rail freight loadings in Canada totalled 6.0 million t (6.7 million short tons) in the above 10 days, a decline of 1.3% from the same period of 1978. In the East, loadings were down 12.6% while west of the Lakehead traffic rose by 12.8%.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments (included above) were up 3.6%.

Canadian railways loaded 16.9 million t (18.7 million short tons) of revenue freight in January 1979, an increase of 2.3% from a year earlier. The total number of railway cars loaded was up 2.3% to 289,604 units.

Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) movements were 3.2% above those of January 1978.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory Services staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island by telephoning 1-800-565-7192. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Selected Principal Statistics for Cane and Beet Sugar Processors

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1082		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	15	15	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,024	2,090	3.2
Man-hours paid	000's	4,257	4,349	2.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	26,620	30,760	15.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	9,625	12,002	24.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	382,455	326,473	-14.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	471,646	436,963	-7.4
Value added	\$000	74,382	107,240	44.2
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,803	2,860	2.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	39,155	44,530	13.7
Total value added	\$000	79,800	109,858	37.7

For further information, contact Mr. T. P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Cane and Beet Sugar Processors, 1977* (32-222, 70¢).

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PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

The Input-Output Structure of the Canadian Economy, 1961-74 (15-508E, \$6.00)

Grains and Oilseeds Review, December 1978 (22-007, 40¢/\$4)

Salt, December 1978 (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Asbestos, December 1978 (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

The Sugar Situation, December 1978 (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

Motor Vehicle Shipments, December 1978 (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Sanitaryware, December 1978 (41-012, 15¢/\$1.50)

Builders and Shelf Hardware, December 1978 (41-014, 15¢/\$1.50)

Cemented Tungsten Carbide Blanks and Tools, December 1978 (41-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, December 1978 (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Oil Burners and Oil-Fired Hot Water Heaters, December 1978 (41-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 7, No. 4, Pack of Processed Peas, 1978



Local Government Finance, Actual 1976 — Advance Information

Total general revenue of local governments in Canada at \$17,055 million in 1976 increased by \$2,333 million or 15.8% over 1975. Actual general revenue raised by local governments in 1976 from their own sources — real property and other taxes, sales of service, licenses, permits and other charges increased by 19.9% over the previous year to \$8,854 million. Transfers from other governments amounted to \$8,201 million or 48.1% of total general revenue; the significant portions of these transfers were the specific purpose transfers from provincial and territorial governments amounting to \$7,153 million, up 11.7% from 1975.

General expenditure at \$18,508 million in 1976 showed an increase of 15.8% over 1975. Expenditure on education rose 15.4% to \$7,797 million and represented 42.2% of the total expenditure. The 1976 expenditure on transportation and communications represented 11.5% of the total, while fiscal services represented 9.2%, environment 9%, protection of persons and property 7.7% and other functions of expenditure took slightly smaller percentages.

Further details of these and other financial management statistics of local governments will be published in *Local Government Finance, Actual 1976* (68-204). Pending release of the publication, further information can be obtained from G.A. Marr (613-995-9897), Local Government Section, Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Apparent Per Capita Food Consumption in Canada (pounds)

	1976	1977
Fruits (Fresh Equivalent Weight)	307.17	295.99
Vegetables (Fresh Equivalent Weight)	127.89	127.11
Meat (Carcass Weight)	177.03	171.37
Poultry (Eviscerated Weight)	44.69	45.47*
Fish (Edible Weight)	16.09	16.97
Fluid Milk Production (Retail Weight)	261.20	260.33
Eggs (Fresh Equivalent Weight)	28.72	27.86
Oils and Fats (Fat Content)	45.01	44.87
Cereals (Retail Weight)	156.91	154.17
Sugars and Syrups (Sugar Content)	95.38	95.82

* 1977 excludes duck and goose.

For further information, order *Apparent Per Capita Food Consumption in Canada, 1977* (Catalogue 32-226, \$1.05), or contact Karen Wardley (613-995-4877), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Apparent Per Capita Food Consumption in Canada, 1977 — Advance Information

The accompanying table provides data from the forthcoming publication, *Apparent Per Capita Food Consumption in Canada, 1977*. This publication contains a summary of the amounts of major food commodities available for consumption by Canadians in 1976 and 1977. The per capita values shown do not represent total food supplies actually consumed by an individual or a specific group of individuals but rather what is available on average to the total Canadian population. No attempt is made to account for waste in

retail stores, households, private institutions or restaurants.

The nutritional data contained in this publication provide information on what nutrients are available to Canadians on the average. The data do not provide information about the nutritional adequacy of food consumed by individuals or specific groups.

For further information, order *Apparent Per Capita Food Consumption in Canada, 1977* (32-226, \$1.05), or contact Karen Wardley (613-995-4877), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Fish Freezings and Stocks, November 1978 — Advance Information

Advance data from the *Fish Freezings and Stocks* report for November are now available.

For further information, order the November issue of *Fish Freezings and Stocks* (24-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, February 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of frozen poultry products at February 1 amounted to 67.1 million pounds compared with last year's corresponding total of 75.2 million pounds.

For further information, order the February issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4959), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

The Class of 2001 (The school-age population — Trends and Implications — 1961-2001)

Fluctuations in the school-age population, which have plagued education planners throughout the 1970s, are going to get worse, not better. This is the conclusion of a new study based on just-available 1976 Census data.

Statistics Canada's latest detailed population projections show greater variations than were forecast from 1971 Census results. *The Class of 2001* (released today) projects the size of Canada's three school-age population groups to the turn of the century. The report looks at the implications for enrolment, teacher hirings, finance, and employment opportunities for young people.

Two demographic factors — fertility and migration — have changed the shape of the school population. The decline in fertility (average number of babies per woman of childbearing age), which began around the early 1960s, was sharper than expected. The resultant drop in births, immediately after the postwar baby boom, produced waves in the young population.

These waves hit each age group successively: first, 5 to 13-year-olds (elementary), then the 14-17 group (secondary), and finally, 18 to 24-year-olds (post-secondary). About 10 years separate the high and low points of each age group.

The number of elementary children is likely to continue to drop until the early 1980s from 3.69 million in 1976 to 3.29 million. Numbers will level off for a few years, rise about 10% to the mid-1990s, and then fall again.

The secondary age group is now decreasing. The low point is projected to be 1.46 million in 1990, about 24% fewer than today.

As the younger age groups mature, the same fluctuations will affect the post-secondary population, 18 to 24-year-olds. This does not necessarily mean a corresponding rise and fall in post-secondary enrolment, as many social and economic conditions influence students' decisions to continue their education. Nationally, the group is projected to peak at 3.36 million in 1982. It will then fall to a mid-1990s low around 2.65 million.

The wave pattern also characterizes provincial school-age groups. But the extent and timing of the ups and downs differ from one province to another, because of variations in fertility and migration.

A second baby boom is almost a certainty for Alberta, and chances are good for British Columbia, too. But even the highest projections suggest only slight increases in annual births for the Atlantic provinces and Quebec during the next 10 years.

Migration has counterbalanced or exaggerated the impact of fewer births. Over-all, during 1977-78 Canada gained an average 1.5 residents per 1,000 population, a total of 34,700. But migrants were not distributed equally among the provinces. For example, the extremes were Alberta and Quebec. Alberta's net migration of 34,000 gave a rate of increase of 17.9 per 1,000 — nearly triple what it had been only four years earlier. Quebec had a net loss of 45,000 or minus 7.2 residents per 1,000, in contrast to its 1973-74 loss of 2,000 or minus 0.3 per 1,000.

As a result of these demographic trends, projections of the three school-age populations in the Atlantic Provinces, Quebec, Manitoba and Saskatchewan suggest that the next increase will fall far short of the baby-boom peak, and the subsequent decline will be steeper than any yet experienced. On the other hand, the age groups in Alberta and British Columbia are expected to rise to the baby-boom level or higher before the turn of the century.

The Class of 2001, a non-catalogued 143-page publication, gives four alternative projections of the school-age population, nationally and by province. The report includes charts and tables containing basic historical and projected data. It is available free of charge, in English or French, from the Education, Science and Culture Division, or from the Canadian Teachers' Federation, co-sponsor of the study. For further information, contact Z. Zsigmond or W. Clark (613-995-9685 or 9692), Projections Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Industrial Corporations — Financial Statistics, Third Quarter 1978 (61-003, \$1.75/\$7)

Housing Starts and Completions, December 1978 (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50)

Sales Financing, November 1978 (63-013, 30¢/\$3)

Monthly Review of Canadian Fisheries Statistics, November 1978 (24-002, 40¢/\$4)

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, January 1979 (32-012, 30¢/\$3)

Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, November 1978 (32-011, 30¢/\$3)

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Checkstand Sacks by Canadian Manufacturers

	Eastern Canada		Western Canada		Canada Total	
	December 1977	December 1978	December 1977	December 1978	December 1977	December 1978
(thousands of bags)						
Standard Grocery Bags						
Size						
1/4 and 1/2	1,125	2,214	493	976	1,618	3,190
1					4,498	3,858
2	8,543	6,978	2,838	4,064	6,883	7,184
3 and 4	8,958	9,162	3,432	9,580	12,390	18,742
5	21,515	22,634	3,605	5,286	25,120	27,920
6	3,918	4,958	4,314	5,322	8,232	10,280
7					3,295	4,376
8	10,710	14,534	7,311	15,135	14,726	25,293
10	15,700	15,501	4,254	5,844	19,954	21,345
12	5,253	3,671	2,436	5,267	7,689	8,938
14	10,693	7,817	4,009	7,527	14,702	15,344
20	25,251	19,917	6,769	9,946	32,020	29,863
Total	111,666	107,386	39,461	68,947	151,127	176,333
Checkstand Sacks						
No. 1	14,376	9,636	6,765	7,160	21,141	16,796
No. 2	12,926	8,819	—	—	12,926	8,819
No. 3	29,583	36,614	35,160	51,641	64,743	88,255
Nos. 4 and 5	1,936	2,698	—	—	1,936	2,698
Total	58,821	57,767	41,925	58,801	100,746	116,568

For further information, contact G. W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Checkstand Sacks by Canadian Manufacturers

	Eastern Canada		Western Canada		Canada Total	
	1977	1978	12 months 1977	1978	1977	1978
(thousands of bags)						
Standard Grocery Bags						
Size						
1/4 and 1/2	39,639	42,478	11,729	17,793	51,368	60,271
1					57,599	66,845
2	123,715	132,067	34,707	50,170	100,823	115,392
3 and 4	142,017	160,195	42,692	67,894	184,709	228,089
5	291,357	324,152	46,185	63,496	337,542	387,648
6	61,040	73,236	46,968	57,358	108,008	130,594
7					61,199	71,877
8	158,099	186,835	78,383	124,778	175,193	239,736
10	218,418	247,365	49,470	61,762	267,888	309,127
12	63,984	76,599	29,688	55,949	93,672	132,548
14	129,654	144,560	48,659	70,541	178,313	215,101
20	278,782	313,376	84,975	112,289	363,757	425,665
Total	1,506,615	1,700,863	473,456	682,030	1,980,071	2,382,893
Checkstand Sacks						
No. 1	159,314	123,839	72,761	88,398	232,075	212,237
No. 2	177,056	158,666	—	—	177,056	158,666
No. 3	364,202	419,862	333,728	425,238	697,930	845,100
Nos. 4 and 5	34,746	34,051	—	—	34,746	34,051
Total	735,318	736,418	406,489	513,636	1,141,807	1,250,054

For further information, contact G. W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products

(1971=100)

	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Oct. 1978	Sept. 1978	Dec. 1977
Canada	219.7	218.6	216.2	213.3	188.9
Prince Edward Island	252.3	254.1	226.8	228.3	176.7
Nova Scotia	222.1	223.6	221.5	214.0	195.1
New Brunswick	252.0	282.8	246.6	267.9	183.9
Quebec	222.2	221.5	217.9	212.6	195.0
Ontario	216.2	214.0	209.3	210.5	182.8
Manitoba	230.1	230.1	232.5	223.4	196.3
Saskatchewan	215.1	212.8	212.3	209.5	192.7
Alberta	226.3	225.1	226.7	220.2	189.5
British Columbia	200.3	199.2	197.0	194.0	177.7

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1971=100), December 1978 — Advance Information

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for the month of December stood at 219.7, an increase of 0.5% from the November index of 218.6.

The index of farm prices of agricultural products has been rebased to a new time and weight base with 1971 being the new reference period. For further information concerning the rebased index, contact Peter Lys or George Beelen (613-995-4895), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Electric Power Statistics, November 1978 — Advance Information

In November, net generation increased to 29.2 TW.h from 28.4 TW.h in November 1977. Hydro generation decreased 1.5% while thermal production rose 13.3%.

Year-to-date total generation reached 301.8 TW.h, an increase of 6.1% from the January-November 1977 period.

For further information, order the November issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January-December 1978 — Advance Information

Sales of farm implements and equipment (including repair parts) for January to December 1978 were valued at \$1,479.4 million, an increase of 15.0% above the January to December 1977 total of \$1,286.3 million.

Sales of repair parts for 1978 had a value of \$191.4 million, up from \$161.7 million in 1977.

For further information, order the December issue of *Farm Implement and Equipment Sales* (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact the Merchandising and Services Division (613-996-9307), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Pulpwood and Wood Residue, December 1978 — Advance Information

Roundwood production increased by 14.1% to 1,343,883 cunits (3 804 000 m3) in December from 1,177,890 cunits (3 336 000 m3) a year earlier. Receipts of wood residue increased by 17.2% to 1,064,233 cunits (3 012 000 m3) from 908,341 cunits (2 573 000 m3).

Consumption of roundwood and wood residue increased by 15.1% to 2,543,636 cunits (7 203 000 m3) from 2,210,694 cunits (6 260 000 m3) and the closing inventory of these two products decreased by 9.8% to 9,465,098 cunits (26 802 000 m3) from 10,488,322 cunits (29 699 000 m3).

For further information, order the December issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Fixed Capital Flows and Stocks, 1960 S.I.C.

The Construction Division is planning to terminate the 1960 S.I.C. fixed capital flows and stocks series, in current and constant 1961 dollars, matrices 3331 to 3434 on CANSIM. The equivalent series based on the 1970 S.I.C. in current and constant 1971 dollars, matrices 3435 to 3538, will be maintained. For further information, contact Ms. R. Hoyt (613-995-8152), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

The Consumer Price Index, January 1979 (62-001, 30¢/\$3) — Available Monday, February 19, 1979, at 7 a.m.

Imports by Commodities, November 1978 (65-007, 80¢/\$8)

Oil Pipe Line Transport, November 1978 (55-001, 30¢/\$3)

Urban Transit, December 1978 (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Cheques Cashed, December 1978 (61-001, 30¢/\$3)

Rigid Insulating Board, December 1978 (36-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Papermakers and Other Felts, Quarter Ended December 31, 1978 (47-003, 35¢/\$1.40)

Preliminary Monthly Report of Petroleum Sales

December 1978
(Thousands of Barrels)

	Motor Gasoline	Aviation Turbo Fuel	Kerosene and Stove Oil	Diesel Fuel	Light Fuel	Heavy Fuel	Other Products	Total Products
Newfoundland	327	97	106	168	404	586	10	1,698
Prince Edward Island	85	3	27	18	136	70	11	350
Nova Scotia	634	63	132	338	943	1,293	69	3,472
New Brunswick	543	21	98	51	670	1,653	94	3,130
Quebec	4,748	455	522	1,309	5,491	4,171	1,569	18,265
Ontario	6,841	489	245	1,580	5,007	3,019	2,703	19,884
Manitoba	741	127	143	284	240	135	40	1,710
Saskatchewan	994	52	173	317	216	2	49	1,803
Alberta	2,366	314	66	1,053	111	13	405	4,328
British Columbia	2,021	326	135	1,061	862	786	297	5,488
Northwest Territories	18	35	14	14	46	—	5	132
Yukon	33	4	26	23	24	—	1	111
Canada	19,351	1,986	1,687	6,216	14,150	11,728	5,253	60,371
Canada 1977	19,120	1,920	2,118	6,320	14,613	11,236	5,414	60,741
% change 1978/1977	1.2	3.4	-20.3	-1.6	-3.2	4.4	-3.0	-0.6

Refined Petroleum Products, December 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary data for December show that net sales of all refined petroleum products amounted to 60,371,000 barrels, a decrease of 0.6% from the December 1977 total of 60,741,000 barrels.

Canadian refineries produced 60,785,000 barrels of refined petroleum products in December, down 1.6% from 61,793,000 barrels a year earlier.

For further information, order the December issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, 40¢/\$4), or contact G.R. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Footwear Statistics, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian production of footwear of all types increased to 2,978,190 pairs in December from 2,315,456 pairs in December 1977.

For further information, order the December issue of *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 7,649,884 phonograph records in December, up from 7,356,814 in December 1977. Production of pre-recorded tapes (8-track cartridges and cassettes only) increased to 1,457,415 from 1,062,332.

For further information, order the December issue of *Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada* (47-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Report on Livestock Surveys: Cattle, Sheep, January 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Total cattle and calves in Canada (excluding Newfoundland) at January 1, 1979 at an estimated 12,328,000 head were down 4% from 12,869,500 a year

earlier. Beef cow numbers were estimated at 3,739,900 head, down 5% from 3,949,200 at January 1, 1978.

Sheep and lamb numbers in Canada (excluding Newfoundland) reached an estimated 420,800, up 8% from 388,900 at January 1, 1978.

For further information, order the January 1, 1979 *Report on Livestock Surveys: Cattle, Sheep* (23-004, 70¢/\$1.40), or contact Elizabeth A. Leckie (613-995-4853), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Report on Livestock Surveys: Pigs, January 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Total pig numbers in Canada (excluding Newfoundland), at January 1, 1979 were estimated at 7,495,000, up 13% from the revised January 1, 1978 total. Numbers increased by 8% in the West and by 15% in the East.

For further information, order the January 1, 1979 *Report on Livestock Surveys, Pigs* (23-005, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact B. Rosien (613-995-4863), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Seed Potato Prices, New Brunswick, October-December 1978 — Advance Information

The average prices paid to New Brunswick growers for seed potatoes between October and December 1978 were as follows: Elite 2 and 3, \$3.63 per hundredweight; Foundation, \$3.74 per hundredweight; Certified, \$3.42 per hundredweight.

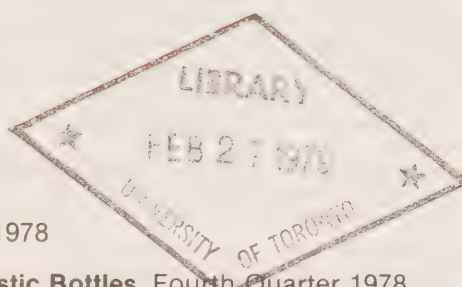
For further information, contact K.C. Wardley (613-995-4877), Horticultural Crops Unit, Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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- Canadian Statistical Review**, December 1978 (11-003E, 70¢/\$7)
- Electric Power Statistics, Volume III**, 1977 (57-206, \$2.10)
- Summary of External Trade**, December 1978 (65-001, 40¢/\$4)
- Primary Iron and Steel**, November 1978 (41-001, 40¢/\$4)
- Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather**, December 1978 (33-001, 30¢/\$3)
- Cement**, December 1978 (44-001, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers**, December 1978 (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Retail Trade, December 1978 — Advance Information
Seasonally-adjusted retail sales for December were \$5,979.6 million, an increase of 2.6% from the \$5,828.1 million recorded in November. The largest advances were posted by general stores (8.7%), sporting goods and accessories stores (8.7%) and specialty shoe stores (8.0%). The largest decreases were for florists (-14.3%) and garages (-12.1%). Seven provinces reported increased sales ranging from 5.8% for Ontario to 0.8% for Alberta. Prince Edward Island (-2.0%), Quebec (-0.6%) and British Columbia (-1.2%) had decreased sales from November.

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment reached \$7,435.8 million, an increase of 9.7% over December 1977. Sales increased in 24 of the 28 trade groups with the largest gains recorded by used car dealers (35.8%) household furniture stores (15.5) and pharmacies, patent medicine and cosmetics stores (14.5%). All provinces reported increased sales over December 1977 ranging from 16.7% for Saskatchewan to 3.9% for Manitoba. Montreal sales rose 8.4%; Toronto, 9.1%; and Vancouver, 8.8% while Winnipeg sales were unchanged.

Revised total retail trade, unadjusted for seasonal influences, for November 1978 was \$6,193.6 million, up 10.6% from November 1977.

For further information, order the December issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Production and Shipments of Plastic Bottles, October-December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 149,670,000 plastic bottles during the December quarter, up from 146,427,000 in the October-December 1977 period. Shipments of plastic bottles (excluding intra-company

transfers) amounted to 121,490,000 compared to 111,647,000 in 1977. These shipments were valued f.o.b. plant at \$13,416,000 in 1978 compared to \$10,826,000 in 1977.

For further information, order the December issue of *Rubber and Plastics Products Industries Service Bulletin* (47-002, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Industrial Chemicals, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 112,972,979 pounds (51 243 681 kg) of polyethylene-type synthetic resins in December compared to 74,433,313 pounds (33 762 383 kg) a year earlier.

For further information, order the December issue of *Specified Chemicals* (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Exports by Commodities

Commodity-country export trade statistics for December 1978 are now available in advance of the regular publication. For information, contact G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry, November 1978 (72-008, 40¢/\$4)

Oil Pipe Line Transport, 1977 (55-201, \$1.05)

Transcontinental and Regional Air Carrier Operations, August 1978 (51-001, 40¢/\$4)

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Shipping Statistics, October 1978 (54-002, 30¢/\$3)

Fish Freezings and Stocks, November 1978 (24-001, 40¢/\$4)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies (Excluding Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island), October 1978 (35-002, 30¢/\$3)

International Travel, December 1978 (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Culture Statistics (87-001, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 2, No. 1, Book Publishing: An Industry Analysis, 1977

The Consumer Price Index, January 1979 (62-001, 30¢/\$3)

National Highlights

The All-items Consumer Price Index for Canada (1971=100) increased by 0.8% to 182.7 in January 1979 from 181.3 in December 1978. As a result, the 12-month rise between January 1978 and January 1979 stood at 8.9%, up from the 8.4% registered in the previous 12-month period. Higher food prices and household operation charges accounted for most of the CPI rise in the latest month. Food prices increased by 1.9% between December 1978 and January 1979 while the index for all items excluding food rose by 0.5%.

Higher prices for fresh vegetables, up on average 16.1% in early January and for bread, up 13.1%, were largely responsible for the 2.3% increase in the food-at-home index. Other notable contributors included higher prices for selected beef cuts, chicken and butter while prices for fresh fruit showed a marginal decline.

Increased electricity charges in several cities in the provinces of Quebec and Ontario and higher prices for new cars were the major contributing factors to the 0.5% increase in the index for all items excluding food. Increased shelter and household services charges and higher gasoline prices were also recorded. The impact of these price increases was somewhat dampened by lower prices for selected clothing items. Between January 1978 and January 1979, the index for all items excluding food advanced by 6.9%.

Viewed in terms of goods and services, the price level for goods, including food, advanced by 1.1% in the latest month while that for services increased by 0.3%. As a result, between January 1978 and January 1979 the price level for goods advanced by 10.4% while that for services rose by 6.3%.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the All-items Consumer Price Index advanced by 0.7% between December 1978 and January 1979; this comprised a 2.0% increase in the food index and a 0.3% increase in the index for all items excluding food.

City Highlights

Between December 1978 and January 1979, consumer prices rose in all 15 cities for which CPIs are published. Advances ranged from 0.3% in St. John's to 1.3% in Regina. The major factors contributing to this variation in city retail price movements were the differing rates of price movements for food and housing charges. The impact of the elimination of the temporary retail sales tax reductions in the province of Saskatchewan was

largely responsible for consumer prices increasing by over 1.0% in Regina and Saskatoon.

St. John's

All items: December 1978 to January 1979, up 0.3%; January 1978 to January 1979, up 9.0%.

Main contributors: higher prices for pork and bread. Increased shelter charges. Gasoline prices up while those for new cars declined. Lower electricity rates.

Charlottetown/Summerside

All items: December 1978 to January 1979, up 0.6%; January 1978 to January 1979, up 8.6%.

Main contributors: higher prices for bread, fresh produce and beef; pork prices declined. Higher prices for electricity, fuel oil, beer and new cars.

Halifax

All items: December 1978 to January 1979, up 0.3%; January 1978 to January 1979, up 8.0%.

Main contributors: higher prices for restaurant meals, bread and fresh vegetables; meat prices declined. Increased shelter and household operation charges. Higher beer prices; clothing prices declined.

Saint John

All items: December 1978 to January 1979, up 0.7%; January 1978 to January 1979, up 8.6%.

Main contributors: higher prices for restaurant meals, bread and fresh produce. Prices up for electricity, fuel oil and beer. Lower prices for clothing.

Quebec City

All items: December 1978 to January 1979, up 0.8%; January 1978 to January 1979, up 8.5%.

Main contributors: higher prices for meat, fresh vegetables and bread; increased electricity rates. Clothing prices declined.

Montreal

All items: December 1978 to January 1979, up 0.7%; January 1978 to January 1979, up 8.1%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fresh vegetables and bread; increased electricity rates. Prices up for new cars and gasoline while clothing prices declined.

Ottawa

All items: December 1978 to January 1979, up 0.7%; January 1978 to January 1979, up 8.2%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, fresh vegetables, bread and restaurant meals. Increased local transit fares and higher water rates. Gasoline prices up.

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Toronto

All items: December 1978 to January 1979, up 1.0%; January 1978 to January 1979, up 8.2%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fresh vegetables, bread and beef; fresh fruit prices declined. Increased electricity rates. New car prices up.

Thunder Bay

All items: December 1978 to January 1979, up 0.4%; January 1978 to January 1979, up 7.1%.

Main contributors: higher prices for bread, fresh vegetables and beef; pork and fresh fruit prices declined. Increased shelter charges. New car prices up.

Winnipeg

All items: December 1978 to January 1979, up 0.4%; January 1978 to January 1979, up 8.4%.

Main contributors: higher prices for restaurant meals, fresh vegetables, bread and beef. Prices up for new cars; domestic gas rates declined.

Regina

All items: December 1978 to January 1979, up 1.3%; January 1978 to January 1979, up 7.9%.

Main contributors: increased retail sales taxes. Prices up for fresh produce and bread.

Saskatoon

All items: December 1978 to January 1979, up 1.2%; January 1978 to January 1979, up 7.3%.

Main contributors: increased retail sales taxes. Higher prices for bread and beef; pork prices declined.

Edmonton

All items: December 1978 to January 1979, up 0.4%; January 1978 to January 1979, up 8.0%.

Main contributors: increased shelter charges and higher water rates; increased local transit fares. Prices up for fresh produce while bakery product prices declined.

Calgary

All items: December 1978 to January 1979, up 0.8%; January 1978 to January 1979, up 8.2%.

Main contributors: higher prices for meat, fresh produce and restaurant meals; increased shelter and household operation charges.

Vancouver

All items: December 1978 to January 1979, up 0.6%; January 1978 to January 1979, up 7.7%.

Main contributors: higher prices for restaurant meals, fresh vegetables, bread and dairy products; increased household operation charges. Gasoline prices declined.

(see tables on pages 4 to 6)

Wholesale Trade, December 1978 — Advance Information

Wholesale merchants' sales for December were estimated at \$4,952,879,000, up 12.7% from \$4,395,972,000 in December 1977.

Wholesale inventories were valued at \$8,894,801,000, an increase of 17.7% from stocks of \$7,558,596,000 on hand at the end of December 1977.

For further information, order the December issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Department Store Sales and Stocks, December 1978 — Advance Information

Department store sales rose to \$1,178.3 million in December, an increase of 11.9% from \$1,053.3 million in December 1977. Sales rose in 38 of the 40 departments with the largest increases recorded by plumbing, heating and building materials (31.6%) and women's and misses' coats and suits (24.0%). All provinces reported increased sales ranging from 16.1% for Alberta to 3.4% for Manitoba. In metropolitan areas, Montreal sales totalled \$143.8 million, up 16.9%; Toronto, \$181.4 million, up 10.8%; Winnipeg, \$55.3 million, up 2.8%; and Vancouver, \$113.9 million, up 14.4%.

Inventories held in December were valued at \$1,930.6 million (at selling price), an increase of 15.3% over December 1977. Stocks were higher in 38 of the 40 departments with the largest increases reported by food and kindred products (76.8%) and furs (36.4%).

For further information, order the December issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Mineral Production, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian mineral production for December and for the year 1978, with comparable 1977 figures in brackets:

- Gold, 144,856 troy ounces (148,427) — 1,666,942 troy ounces (1,733,611).
- Silver, 3,414,778 troy ounces (3,460,231) — 40,166,003 troy ounces (42,235,908).
- Primary copper, 50,830 short tons (59,622) — 710,880 short tons (837,120).
- Primary nickel, 6,222 short tons (20,060) — 140,491 short tons (256,301).
- Refined lead, 17,745 short tons (17,437) — 213,908 short tons (206,636).
- Refined zinc, 56,632 short tons (37,704) — 546,107 short tons (545,521).

For further information, order the December issues of: *Gold Production* (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50); *Silver, Lead and Zinc Production* (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50); and *Copper and Nickel Production* (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, February 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter were down to 57.6 million pounds on February 1 from last year's corresponding total of 64.0 million while stocks of cheddar cheese were up to 63.7 million pounds from 60.9 million. Stocks of skim milk powder decreased to 37.4 million pounds from 103.2 million. Stocks of evaporated whole milk increased to 21.2 million pounds from 18.4 million.

For further information, order the February issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation reading and education	Tobacco and alcohol
St. John's								
January 1979 index	191.1	235.9	196.7	145.0	168.8	184.0	150.0	158.5
December 1978 index	190.6	233.2	196.5	144.8	169.5	183.9	150.0	158.6
% change from December 1978	0.3	1.2	0.1	0.1	-0.4	0.1	0.0	-0.1
% change from January 1978	9.0	15.5	7.8	4.2	4.4	10.2	8.0	5.1
Halifax								
January 1979 index	178.8	213.7	180.9	141.7	170.9	162.3	147.3	146.7
December 1978 index	178.3	211.1	180.4	144.8	170.7	161.4	147.1	144.1
% change from December 1978	0.3	1.2	0.3	-2.1	0.1	0.6	0.1	1.8
% change from January 1978	8.0	13.3	6.2	5.6	6.5	6.7	5.8	2.7
Saint John								
January 1979 index	183.0	220.3	184.8	139.8	171.0	173.5	160.6	149.9
December 1978 index	181.7	216.7	183.5	141.4	170.5	173.0	160.4	148.2
% change from December 1978	0.7	1.7	0.7	-1.1	0.3	0.3	0.1	1.1
% change from January 1978	8.6	13.0	7.6	4.2	7.1	6.1	5.2	9.7
Quebec City								
January 1979 index	179.4	218.1	179.7	131.3	171.5	170.5	152.9	160.2
December 1978 index	177.9	212.7	177.2	137.8	170.2	170.3	151.0	160.4
% change from December 1978	0.8	2.5	1.4	-4.7	0.8	0.1	1.3	-0.1
% change from January 1978	8.5	13.4	9.2	-4.0	7.3	9.3	6.3	6.9
Montreal								
January 1979 index	179.8	218.8	171.3	148.7	171.8	171.5	156.5	163.9
December 1978 index	178.5	214.7	169.7	151.6	170.3	171.0	156.3	164.0
% change from December 1978	0.7	1.9	0.9	-1.9	0.9	0.3	0.1	-0.1
% change from January 1978	8.1	13.2	7.9	-0.8	7.0	7.8	4.9	8.3
Ottawa								
January 1979 index	180.7	210.3	179.0	168.4	169.7	165.6	147.1	163.0
December 1978 index	179.4	206.1	178.4	167.8	168.0	165.5	146.8	163.0
% change from December 1978	0.7	2.0	0.3	0.4	1.0	0.1	0.2	0.0
% change from January 1978	8.2	12.1	6.7	9.2	8.2	5.1	3.6	6.4
Toronto								
January 1979 index	181.2	213.9	180.7	153.9	166.9	182.2	151.3	157.6
December 1978 index	179.4	208.8	179.0	154.0	165.6	181.5	151.1	157.6
% change from December 1978	1.0	2.4	0.9	-0.1	0.8	0.4	0.1	0.0
% change from January 1978	8.2	11.6	7.6	8.5	6.6	10.1	3.7	5.5
Thunder Bay								
January 1979 index	181.5	213.4	182.8	147.5	174.9	178.2	150.8	156.5
December 1978 index	180.8	211.3	182.4	147.5	173.8	178.0	150.4	156.5
% change from December 1978	0.4	1.0	0.2	0.0	0.6	0.1	0.3	0.0
% change from January 1978	7.1	10.0	7.0	7.0	4.5	7.2	3.6	5.7
Winnipeg								
January 1979 index	183.7	214.6	192.3	155.5	166.8	175.2	151.1	156.6
December 1978 index	182.9	211.7	192.7	155.6	165.0	173.6	150.9	156.6
% change from December 1978	0.4	1.4	-0.2	-0.1	1.1	0.9	0.1	0.0
% change from January 1978	8.4	11.8	7.5	8.4	7.2	7.8	5.1	6.5
Saskatoon								
January 1979 index	178.3	210.2	177.7	155.6	164.6	164.4	165.6	161.4
December 1978 index	176.2	206.9	176.2	152.7	162.3	162.1	164.0	161.4
% change from December 1978	1.2	1.6	0.9	1.9	1.4	1.4	1.0	0.0
% change from January 1978	7.3	11.6	5.3	6.5	6.8	8.7	4.0	7.6
Regina								
January 1979 index	182.7	209.8	183.5	153.8	172.8	174.9	170.1	162.7
December 1978 index	180.4	206.1	181.8	151.2	169.7	173.0	167.6	162.7
% change from December 1978	1.3	1.8	0.9	1.7	1.8	1.1	1.5	0.0
% change from January 1978	7.9	13.6	4.7	5.8	8.5	9.2	4.5	8.2

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada (continued)

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Transportation (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recreation reading and education	Tobacco and alcohol
Edmonton								
January 1979 index	183.7	206.8	196.7	160.5	171.5	162.4	156.8	144.6
December 1978 index	182.9	205.8	195.5	160.5	170.3	161.8	156.7	144.6
% change from December 1978	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.0	0.7	0.4	0.1	0.0
% change from January 1978	8.0	7.9	8.8	9.6	7.7	6.4	7.0	2.8
Calgary								
January 1979 index	180.3	206.8	188.8	158.4	166.2	168.1	154.7	147.1
December 1978 index	178.9	201.3	187.6	158.9	166.1	167.9	154.4	147.1
% change from December 1978	0.8	2.7	0.6	-0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.0
% change from January 1978	8.2	13.0	8.6	7.7	4.9	7.3	3.8	3.3
Vancouver								
January 1979 index	184.1	217.7	184.6	154.0	173.5	169.6	147.5	162.5
December 1978 index	183.0	213.4	184.0	154.4	173.7	169.0	147.1	162.5
% change from December 1978	0.6	2.0	0.3	-0.3	-0.1	0.4	0.3	0.0
% change from January 1978	7.7	12.4	5.7	4.8	6.8	5.4	4.4	10.5
Charlottetown/Summerside**								
January 1979 index	145.9	151.8	152.2	127.0	143.6	143.4	129.5	132.5
December 1978 index	145.0	150.4	151.2	127.1	142.7	143.3	129.5	131.3
% change from December 1978	0.6	0.9	0.7	-0.1	0.6	0.1	0.0	0.9
% change from January 1978	8.6	13.7	7.6	6.5	6.8	6.6	4.7	1.8

* For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Section C, of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (62-010, \$1.40/\$5.60).

** 1974=100

Month-to-Month Percentage Changes in the Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Index for Canada*

	All items		Food		All items excluding food	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**
1978						
January	0.4	..	0.8	..	0.2	..
February	0.7	..	0.7	..	0.6	..
March	1.1	..	1.4	..	1.1	..
April	0.2	..	1.7	..	-0.4	..
May	1.4	..	3.3	..	0.6	..
June	0.9	..	2.0	..	0.4	..
July	1.5	..	4.0	..	0.4	..
August	0.1	..	-1.4	..	0.7	..
September	-0.2	..	-2.4	..	0.7	..
October	1.0	0.8	1.2	1.5	1.0	0.6
November	0.8	0.7	0.3	0.7	0.9	0.7
December	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.2	0.4
1979						
January	0.8	0.7	1.9	2.0	0.5	0.3

* For some elaboration of methodology, see Appendix I(A) of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (Catalogue 62-010)

** Seasonally adjusted data are revised annually using updated seasonal adjustment factors. For more information, refer to Appendix II, Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (Catalogue 62-010).

... For an explanation of the non-availability of data previous to October 1978, see Appendix II, Section B(2), Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (Catalogue 62-010).

The Consumer Price Index and Major Components, Canada

(1971=100)

	Indexes			Percentage Change	
				January 1979 from	
	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1978	Jan. 1978
All items	182.7	181.3	167.8	0.8	8.9
Food	220.2	216.0	193.0	1.9	14.1
All items excluding food	170.1	169.3	159.1	0.5	6.9
Housing	181.2	180.0	168.6	0.7	7.5
Clothing	150.8	151.9	144.1	-0.7	4.6
Transportation	169.3	168.0	157.4	0.8	7.6
Health and personal care	172.9	172.3	160.3	0.3	7.9
Recreation, reading and education	152.4	152.1	145.6	0.2	4.7
Tobacco and alcohol	159.1	159.1	148.5	0.0	7.1
Purchasing power of the 1971 consumer dollar	0.55	0.55	0.60		
All-items Consumer Price Index converted to 1961=100	243.7				

Consumer Price Indexes for Canada, Major Components, Sub-groups and Special Aggregates, not Seasonally Adjusted

(1971=100)

	Indexes		Percentage Change	
			January 1979 from	
	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Dec. 1978	Jan. 1978
Major components, sub-groups and special aggregates				
Reclassified by goods and services				
Goods and services	182.7	0.8		8.9
Goods	185.0	1.1		10.4
Durable goods	146.3	0.5		7.4
Semi-durable goods	147.9	-0.7		4.8
Non-durable goods	204.5	1.7		11.9
Services	180.0	0.3		6.3
Special aggregates				
All-items excluding food	170.1	0.5		6.9
All-items excluding energy	180.0	0.7		8.6
Energy	219.7	2.1		11.6
All-items excluding food and energy	165.3	0.2		6.3

Stocks of Food Commodities in Cold Storage and Other Warehouses, 1978 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter decreased to 62.3 million pounds at December 31, 1978 from 63.3 million pounds at January 1, 1978, while stocks of cheddar cheese increased to 63.3 million pounds from 61.7 million.

Stocks of skim milk powder decreased to 91.7 million pounds from 123.9 million and stocks of evaporated whole milk fell to 20.6 million pounds from 25.9 million.

Stocks of frozen poultry meat decreased to 61.6 million pounds at the 1978 year-end from 71.2 million at January 1, 1978 while stocks of frozen meats rose to 105.0 million pounds from 98.8 million pounds.

For further information, order the 1978 issue of *Stocks of Food Commodities in Cold Storage and Other Warehouses* (32-217, 70¢), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian production of rubber decreased to 50,142,000 pounds (22 743 000 kg) in December from 50,327,000 pounds (22 828 000 kg) in December 1977. Consumption of rubber increased to 56,013,000 pounds (25 407 000 kg) from 51,152,000 pounds (23 202 000 kg) a year earlier.

For further information, order the December issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, December 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates show manufacturers' shipments in December 1978 (seasonally adjusted) were valued at \$12,282.6 million, an increase of 4.0% from the revised November level of \$11,804.8 million. Durable goods shipments increased 5.1% to \$5,764.6 million from \$5,483.6 million and non-durable goods shipments rose 3.1% to \$6,518.0 million from \$6,321.2 million.

New orders in all manufacturing industries, seasonally adjusted, were estimated at \$12,472.8 million, up 4.1% from the revised November value of \$11,977.4 million. Durable goods new orders increased 5.6% to \$5,915.8 million from \$5,604.5 million and new orders for non-durable goods rose 2.9% to \$6,557.0 million from \$6,372.9 million.

Seasonally-adjusted unfilled orders in all manufacturing industries increased 1.4% to \$13,563.3 million from \$13,373.1 million (revised) in the preceding month.

Total inventory owned, seasonally adjusted, was estimated at \$20,718.0 million, 1.3% higher than the revised November value of \$20,449.8 million. Total inventory held rose 1.4% to \$21,721.6 million from \$21,424.1 million with increases of 1.2%, 2.6% and 0.6% in raw materials, goods in process and finished products, respectively.

The seasonally-adjusted ratio of total inventory owned to shipments was 1.69:1 in December compared to 1.73:1 in November. The finished products to shipments ratio was 0.57:1, down from 0.59:1 in November.

Not adjusted for seasonal variation, manufacturers' shipments in December were estimated at \$11,366.1 million, down 7.6% from the revised November level of \$12,307.6 million. The preliminary estimate of shipments for 1978 at \$130,352.7 million was up 18.8% from the 1977 total of \$109,747.0 million.

For further information, order the December issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Dairy Factory Production, January 1979 — Advance Information

Production of creamery butter increased 3.4% in January 1979 to 6 501 metric tonnes from 6 287 metric tonnes a year earlier. Cheddar cheese production increased 35.4% to 7 003 metric tonnes from 5 172 metric tonnes, and production of ice cream mix increased 0.3% to 7 902 kilolitres from 7 881 kilolitres.

For further information, order the January issue of *Dairy Factory Production* (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-995-4858), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended February 17, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended February 17 was 336,134 short tons (304 936 t), a decrease of 3.4% from the preceding week's total of 347,958 short tons (315 662 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 306,962 short tons (278 471 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 183.5 in the current week, 189.9 a week earlier and 167.5 a year earlier.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries

(Based on 1975 Census of Manufacturers Benchmarks)

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978r	Oct. 1978	Dec. 1977
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total	11,366.1	12,307.6	12,168.2	9,076.8
Non-durable	6,158.2	6,521.6	6,487.6	5,053.6
Durable	5,207.9	5,786.0	5,680.6	4,023.1
New Orders: Total	11,521.0	12,475.7	12,665.4	8,877.8
Non-durable	6,180.2	6,548.2	6,492.2	5,077.3
Durable	5,340.8	5,927.5	6,173.2	3,800.4
Unfilled Orders: Total	13,334.6	13,179.7	13,011.6	10,098.6
Non-durable	1,770.3	1,748.3	1,721.7	1,340.6
Durable	11,564.3	11,431.4	11,290.0	8,757.9
Inventory Owned: Total	20,731.2	20,316.3	19,854.8	18,599.1
Inventory Held: Total	21,703.3	21,315.2	20,859.0	19,598.7
Raw materials	8,987.1	8,712.3	8,540.2	8,119.6
Goods in process	5,883.0	5,849.2	5,768.6	5,151.6
Finished Products	6,833.2	6,753.7	6,550.2	6,327.3
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Shipments: Total	12,282.6	11,804.8	11,749.4	9,572.9
Non-durable	6,518.0	6,321.2	6,288.3	5,215.3
Durable	5,764.6	5,483.6	5,461.1	4,357.6
New Orders: Total	12,472.8	11,977.4	12,396.3	9,393.8
Non-durable	6,557.0	6,372.9	6,330.0	5,248.8
Durable	5,915.8	5,604.5	6,066.3	4,145.0
Unfilled Orders: Total	13,563.3	13,373.1	13,097.8	10,253.9
Non-durable	1,814.1	1,775.1	1,766.6	1,369.9
Durable	11,749.2	11,598.0	11,331.2	8,884.0
Inventory Owned: Total	20,718.0	20,449.8	20,146.3	18,598.4
Inventory Held: Total	21,721.6	21,424.1	21,128.2	19,626.3
Raw materials	8,802.3	8,696.7	8,547.8	7,954.1
Goods in process	5,943.5	5,793.8	5,760.8	5,206.3
Finished products	6,975.8	6,933.6	6,819.6	6,465.9
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	1.69	1.73	1.71	1.94
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.57	0.59	0.58	0.68

Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Not Seasonally Adjusted					
	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978r	% change	Jan.-Dec. 1978	Jan.-Dec. 1977	% change
	(\$ millions)			(\$ millions)		
Newfoundland	76.9	74.3	3.5	836.3	692.3	20.8
Nova Scotia	248.5	244.7	1.6	2,750.6	2,298.3	19.7
New Brunswick	253.5	260.4	-2.7	2,571.1	2,137.0	20.3
Quebec	3,053.1	3,329.0	-8.3	34,497.1	28,218.6	22.2
Ontario	5,515.6	6,106.3	-9.7	64,407.1	55,438.3	16.2
Manitoba	290.7	308.8	-5.9	3,364.5	2,885.6	16.6
Saskatchewan	134.3	146.1	-8.1	1,627.3	1,368.1	19.0
Alberta	642.6	671.0	-4.2	7,468.5	6,163.3	21.2
British Columbia	1,135.0	1,146.8	-1.0	12,638.9	10,398.7	21.5
Canada*	11,366.1	12,307.6	-7.6	130,352.7	109,747.0	18.8

*Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending February 7, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,448,614	2,057,019	4,505,633
Short tons, 1978	2,284,718	1,981,679	4,266,397
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 221 345	1 866 096	4 087 441
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 072 661	1 797 749	3 870 410
% change	7.2	3.8	5.6
Cars, 1979	38,912	30,110	69,022
Cars, 1978	36,945	29,921	66,866
% change	5.3	0.6	3.2
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	149,797	64,753	214,550
Short tons, 1978	179,100	58,150	237,250
Metric tonnes, 1979	135 894	58 743	194 637
Metric tonnes, 1978	162 477	52 753	215 230
% change	-16.4	11.4	-9.6
Cars, 1979	4,769	2,453	7,222
Cars, 1978	5,146	2,367	7,513
% change	-7.3	3.6	-3.9
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	12,076,842	11,098,156	23,174,998
Short tons, 1978	12,281,642	10,227,091	22,508,733
Metric tonnes, 1979	10 955 927	10 068 078	21 024 005
Metric tonnes, 1978	11 141 718	9 277 861	20 419 579
% change	-1.7	8.5	3.0
Cars, 1979	194,752	163,874	358,626
Cars, 1978	193,919	156,026	349,945
% change	0.4	5.0	2.5
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	791,331	326,053	1,117,384
Short tons, 1978	816,688	295,721	1,112,409
Metric tonnes, 1979	717 883	295 790	1 013 673
Metric tonnes, 1978	740 887	268 274	1 009 161
% change	-3.1	10.3	0.4
Cars, 1979	24,220	12,694	36,914
Cars, 1978	24,141	11,981	36,122
% change	0.3	5.9	2.2

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended February 7, 1979— Published Only in the *Statistics Canada Daily*

Railways in Canada loaded 4.1 million t (4.5 million short tons) of revenue freight in the above seven days, an increase of 5.6% over the corresponding 1978 week. Traffic was up 7.2% in the East and 3.8% in the West. The number of cars loaded rose 3.2% to 69,022 units.

Container-trailer (piggy-back) shipments (included above) were down 9.6% in the first week of February due to a 16.4% drop east of the Lakehead.

In the January 1 to February 7, 1979 period, rail freight loadings were running 3.0% ahead of the 1978 pace at 21.0 million t (23.2 million short tons), though cumulative loadings in the East were 1.7% below the year-earlier level.

Container-trailer (piggy-back) traffic in the first five weeks of 1979 was up 0.4% from 1978.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Industrial Corporations' Financial Statistics

Fourth Quarter 1978 and 1977

	Year-over-Year Change					
	Sales		Net income before Extraordinary items		Net income after Extraordinary items	
	(\$ millions)	%	(\$ millions)	%	(\$ millions)	%
All industries						
4th Qtr. 1978	90,469		4,183		4,235	
4th Qtr. 1977	79,626		3,183		3,050	
Change	10,843	13.6	1,000	31.4	1,185	38.9
Mining industries						
4th Qtr. 1978	4,403		852		838	
4th Qtr. 1977	4,217		643		598	
Change	186	4.4	209	32.5	240	40.1
Manufacturing industries						
4th Qtr. 1978	39,981		1,954		1,986	
4th Qtr. 1977	34,154		1,486		1,417	
Change	5,827	17.1	468	31.5	569	40.2
Other industries						
4th Qtr. 1978	46,085		1,377		1,411	
4th Qtr. 1977	41,255		1,054		1,035	
Change	4,830	11.7	323	30.6	376	36.3

Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics (Preliminary Data), Fourth Quarter 1978 (61-003p, free to subscribers)

The accompanying table presents highlights of preliminary financial statistics of Canadian industrial corporations for the fourth quarter of 1978.

Data users should note that the preliminary estimates of quarterly profits included in publication 61-003p may not coincide with the final data shown in the quarterly publication 61-003. Because of the time constraint of producing these preliminary estimates, they are based on a sub-sample of that used in the final

quarterly publication; statistical theory accordingly dictates the probability of divergence between the two sets of estimates. Despite the above constraints, every effort is made to ensure that discrepancies are minimized.

Consumer Credit, December 1978 — Advance Information

Consumer credit outstanding on the books of selected credit holders reporting monthly reached \$28,288 million at the end of December, an increase of 14.1% from a year earlier.

Outstanding balances of monthly-reporting credit holders at the end of December 1978, with percentage changes from a year earlier:

- Chartered banks' personal loans: \$21,621 million, up 15.4%.
- Quebec savings banks' personal loans: \$104 million, up 19.5%.
- Life insurance companies' policy loans: \$1,346 million, up 5.0%.
- Sales finance and consumer loan companies' loans: small: \$183 million, down 12.0%; large: \$1,488 million, up 1.9%; instalment sales paper: \$1,176 million, up 8.3%.
- Department stores and furniture, TV, radio and household appliance stores: \$1,729 million, up 10.3%.
- Trust and mortgage companies' personal loans: \$639 million, up 73.6%.

Credit holders reporting quarterly had combined outstanding balances of \$7,474 million at the end of the fourth quarter of 1978, up 17.3% from a year earlier. Credit unions and caisses populaires, the largest quarterly reporters, had preliminary balances outstanding of \$5,468 million, up 21.2% (also included in the quarterly total: other retail stores, other credit-card issuers, and public utilities).

Including quarterly reporters, consumer credit outstanding at the end of the fourth quarter of 1978 totalled \$35,762 million, up 14.8% from December 31, 1977.

For further information, order the December issue of *Consumer Credit* (61-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Data users should note that this will be the final issue of *Consumer Credit* and are referred to the monthly *Bank of Canada Review*.

Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, December 1978 — Advance Information

Producers' trade and industrial sales of paints, varnishes and lacquers totalled \$32,281,770 in December, up from \$25,850,452 in December 1977.

For further information, order the December issue of *Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers* (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Commercial Failures, Fourth Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary figures show that the total number of failures recorded under the provisions of the Bankruptcy and Winding-up Acts rose to 1,119 during the fourth quarter of 1978 from 1,050 in the same quarter of 1977. The estimated total of the liabilities of bankrupt firms was \$153,884,521 compared with the total of \$128,967,461 recorded in the October-December 1977 period.

For further information, order the fourth quarter issue of *Commercial Failures* (61-002, 70¢/\$2.80), or contact the Financial Institutions Section (613-996-6631), Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. Data users should note that this will be the final issue of *Commercial Failures* and that similar information is available from the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs.

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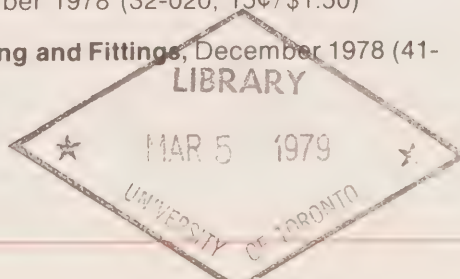
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Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

December 1978 — Advance Information

	Domestic		Export		Total	
	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Ingots and semi-finished shapes	33,722	30 592	11,838	10 739	45,560	41 331
Rails	23,099	20 956	9,158	8 308	32,257	29 264
Wire rods	50,022	45 380	24,495	22 221	74,517	67 601
Structural shapes:						
Heavy	62,755	56 930	12,724	11 543	75,479	68 473
Bar-sized shapes	9,581	8 693	1,406	1 276	10,987	9 969
Concrete reinforcing bars	48,038	43 579	—	—	48,038	43 579
Other hot rolled bars	99,573	90 331	12,096	10 973	111,669	101 304
Tie plates and track material	249	226	39	36	288	262
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes)	112,118	101 711	24,301	22 046	136,419	123 757
Hot rolled sheets and strip	220,530	200 062	16,284	14 772	236,814	214 834
Cold finished bars	7,786	7 065	348	315	8,134	7 380
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled other, coated	129,034	117 057	16,608	15 066	145,642	132 123
Galvanized sheets	75,130	68 158	13,524	12 268	88,654	80 426
Total	871,637	790 740	142,821	129 563	1,014,458	920 303

*Producers' shipments excluding producers' interchange.

For further information, order the December issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Fabric Glove Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2491		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	10	10	0.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	423	489	15.6
Man-hours paid	000's	857	975	13.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	3,210	3,864	20.3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	174	211	21.2
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	5,737	6,792	18.3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	11,609	15,225	31.1
Value added	\$000	6,003	8,405	40.0
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	478	545	14.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	3,839	4,652	21.1
Total value added	\$000	6,605	8,571	29.7

For further information, contact E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Clothing Industries*, 1977 (34-218, 70¢).

Provincial Government Finance, Assets, Liabilities and Sources and Uses of Funds, 1976 — Advance Information

The financial assets of Canada's provincial and territorial governments at March 31, 1977 amounted to \$32,684 million, an increase of \$4,352 million or 15.4% from \$28,332 million at March 31, 1976. Their liabilities amounted to \$35,686 million, up \$4,762 million (15.4%) from \$30,924 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the 1976 issue of *Provincial Government Finance, Assets, Liabilities and Sources and Uses of Funds* (68-209, \$2.10), or contact the Provincial Government Section (613-995-8201), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, November 1978 — Advance Information

Crude petroleum production for the month of November averaged 1,610,900 barrels daily (256 000 cubic metres/day), up 1.2% from 1,591,200 barrels/day (252 900 cubic metres/day) in November 1977.

Net new production of natural gas for the latest period averaged 10,765,100 Mcf./day (305 000 thousands of cubic metres/day), an increase of 1.5% from 10,601,700 Mcf./day (300 300 thousands of cubic metres/day) in November 1977.

For further information, order the November issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Thread Mills

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1891		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	20	20	0.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	687	607	-11.7
Man-hours paid	000's	1,440	1,166	-19.1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	5,509	4,998	-9.3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	405	443	9.3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	18,461	17,774	-3.8
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	33,652	34,831	3.5
Value added	\$000	16,450	15,782	-4.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,044	877	-16.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	10,276	9,415	-8.4
Total value added	\$000	18,939	18,698	-6.3

For further information, contact E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Textile Industries, 1977* (34-210, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for Pressed and Punched Felt Mills

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1852		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	12	14	16.6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	289	427	47.7
Man-hours paid	000's	603	914	51.5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	2,661	4,599	72.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	288	477	65.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	6,504	9,903	52.2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	12,331	19,518	58.2
Value added	\$000	5,554	9,211	65.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	341	506	48.3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	3,390	5,805	71.2
Total value added	\$000	5,719	9,371	63.8

For further information, contact E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Felt and Fibre Processing Mills, 1977* (34-219, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Fibre and Filament Yarn Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1831		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	13	15	15.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,346	4,513	3.8
Man-hours paid	000's	9,405	9,880	5.0
Manufacturing wages	\$000	52,456	62,577	19.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	14,526	19,383	33.4
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	143,971	186,660	29.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	269,733	361,174	33.9
Value added	\$000	114,290	154,914	35.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	5,805	5,854	0.8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	76,028	86,915	14.3
Total value added	\$000	133,086	180,534	35.6

For further information, contact E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Man-made Fibre Yarn and Cloth Mills, 1977* (34-208, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Fibre Processing Mills

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1851		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	21	19	-10.5
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	631	459	-27.3
Man-hours paid	000's	1,304	962	-26.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	5,329	4,081	-23.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	589	544	-7.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	14,406	12,839	-10.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	26,943	21,717	-18.8
Value added	\$000	12,019	8,450	-29.7
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	724	522	-28.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	6,870	5,510	-19.8
Total value added	\$000	12,301	8,705	-29.3

For further information, contact E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Felt and Fibre Processing Mills, 1977* (34-219, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Hat and Cap Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2492		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	51	46	-9.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,022	1,045	2.2
Man-hours paid	000's	1,963	2,050	4.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	7,214	7,965	10.4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	195	221	13.3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	9,761	10,259	5.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	24,170	25,041	3.6
Value added	\$000	14,417	15,049	4.3
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,242	1,259	1.3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	10,046	10,965	9.1
Total value added	\$000	17,771	18,637	4.8

For further information, contact E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Clothing Industries, 1977* (34-218, 70¢).

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, February 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first day of February amounted to 106.1 million pounds compared with 105.0 million last month and 96.2 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the February issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Imports by Commodities

Commodity-country import trade statistics for December 1978 are now available in advance of the regular publication. For information, contact G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Hospital Reprint Available

Now available free of charge are reprints of the research paper *Public General and Allied Special Hospitals in Canada*. The report presents an overview of the hospital industry as a component of the Canadian economy in providing an historical summary of inputs and utilization of facilities over the period 1953 to 1973.

For copies of the report or for further information, contact Louis A. Lefebvre (613-995-7808), Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Supplementary Bulletins: Economic Characteristics, Labour Force Participation Rates by Age and Sex, 1971 and 1976, 1976 Census of Canada (94-832, \$4.25)

Employment, Earnings and Hours, November 1978 (72-002, 70¢/\$7)
(continued)

Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act, July-September 1978 (73-001, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Electric Power Statistics, November 1978 (57-001, 30¢/\$3)

Department Store Sales and Stocks, November 1978 (63-002, 40¢/\$4)

Farm Cash Receipts, December 1978 (21-001, 30¢/\$3)

Coal and Coke Statistics, November 1978 (45-002, 40¢/\$4)

Employment, Earnings and Hours, Advance Data

December 1978

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Employment Index Number									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Dec. 1978f	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978p	Sept. 1978r	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Dec. 1978f	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978p	Sept. 1978r
	1961=100									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	75.6	83.6	90.5	94.6	77.1	83.7	81.8	81.5	81.5	80.4
Mining, including milling	116.0	117.0	117.5	117.4	119.7	121.7	116.8	116.9	118.2	119.2
Manufacturing	127.0	129.5	130.0	130.3	123.1	126.1	129.6	129.4	128.7	128.8
Durable Goods	141.7	143.6	143.0	142.0	135.5	138.7	143.0	142.1	141.4	141.7
Non-durable Goods	115.2	118.1	119.5	120.8	113.0	116.0	119.0	119.1	118.5	118.3
Construction	89.6	100.1	108.0	109.8	98.9	113.3	98.8	96.2	97.8	98.3
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	133.6	134.5	134.9	137.1	127.2	128.4	136.7	135.9	134.3	135.1
Trade	182.0	180.7	177.5	174.3	174.8	174.5	175.3	174.2	174.1	174.7
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	201.4	201.0	200.1	200.3	196.4	197.3	202.3	201.1	200.0	200.3
Service	254.7	260.6	264.9	266.5	245.9	253.8	263.6	262.8	263.1	261.8
Industrial Composite	146.6	148.9	149.6	149.9	142.2	145.4	148.4	147.7	147.4	147.5
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	131.5	136.6	138.7	142.2	127.2	132.0	135.6	135.0	134.7	135.6
Newfoundland	122.8	128.9	132.6	138.6	125.1	131.8	126.9	126.7	127.0	128.7
Prince Edward Island	144.1	150.1	158.7	162.2	143.7	151.4	153.8	151.3	152.3	148.7
Nova Scotia	134.7	138.3	138.2	140.8	127.3	130.6	137.1	136.7	135.5	138.0
New Brunswick	132.3	138.3	141.4	144.5	126.9	132.0	137.6	137.5	138.1	136.3
Quebec	126.6	128.5	129.4	129.9	124.6	127.2	128.1	127.5	127.6	127.4
Ontario	151.6	153.6	153.8	153.4	147.2	150.3	153.1	152.2	151.9	151.7
Prairie Region	165.2	167.9	168.5	168.1	157.0	160.7	167.5	166.9	165.8	164.4
Manitoba	125.1	127.6	128.3	128.4	122.3	125.5	127.0	126.7	126.3	125.4
Saskatchewan	144.6	147.5	147.7	148.3	140.3	144.1	146.8	146.3	145.2	145.3
Alberta	206.6	209.5	210.1	208.8	192.9	197.0	209.4	208.7	207.3	204.4
British Columbia	172.2	174.3	176.1	177.7	165.8	169.4	173.8	174.0	174.1	176.3
Yukon	182.6	184.3	186.9	195.3	189.6	193.5	192.2	191.0	190.2	188.8
Northwest Territories	158.0	151.4	154.3	160.1	139.6	143.1	173.7	160.3	158.3	152.2
Canada	146.6	148.9	149.6	149.9	142.2	145.4	148.4	147.7	147.4	147.5

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Employment, Earnings and Hours (Seasonally Adjusted), December 1978 — Advance Information

The first estimates of the Canada industrial composite* index of employment (1961=100) for December 1978 showed a 0.5% increase over November. Gains were reported in all industry divisions except mining (including milling) which declined, and in all regions except British Columbia which recorded a decrease.

Average weekly earnings rose by 0.6% at the national industrial composite level. Gains were recorded in most industry divisions, with the exception of forestry, transportation, communication and other utilities and trade which reported decreases; increases were also registered in all regions.

Average hourly earnings rose in mining (including milling), manufacturing and construction. Average weekly hours increased in manufacturing and in

construction but decreased in mining (including milling).

* Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious organizations, private households and public administration and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year. Notes on concepts and methods can be found in any issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours*.

Detailed information for October and November will be published in the December issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7), and is also available from Mr. R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2. (see tables on pages 3 and 4)

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations						Seasonally adjusted			
	Dec. 1978f	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978p	Sept. 1978r	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Dec. 1978f	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978p	Sept. 1978r
	dollars									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	257.88	353.41	340.38	335.76	249.22	332.53	307.51	344.32	333.18	337.65
Mining, including milling	395.58	396.25	391.72	380.45	362.65	362.40	394.40	391.55	389.15	382.09
Manufacturing	291.24	296.38	294.44	292.12	271.89	275.50	296.10	295.35	292.28	292.06
Durable Goods	309.38	318.64	316.91	315.07	290.30	296.59	316.96	316.27	312.69	312.88
Non-durable Goods	273.23	274.51	272.74	270.33	254.12	255.23	276.58	275.25	273.40	271.91
Construction	379.56	401.72	409.03	411.79	346.75	381.89	420.52	398.69	392.69	402.02
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	319.42	322.02	315.66	315.88	299.76	298.40	321.93	322.50	315.19	316.39
Trade	206.34	204.18	203.99	203.57	195.54	192.35	207.40	207.71	205.14	204.88
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	255.65	253.52	251.60	252.18	236.35	235.36	257.74	257.17	254.45	255.09
Service	187.19	183.64	182.81	181.48	175.22	173.39	188.07	185.12	183.25	183.20
Industrial Composite	269.02	273.01	271.78	271.00	252.81	256.31	274.76	273.12	269.97	270.70
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	237.28	238.18	235.66	232.61	222.91	225.83	242.62	239.57	235.75	234.01
Newfoundland	256.26	257.47	253.14	252.07	238.36	246.80	266.22	259.02	251.93	253.52
Prince Edward Island	208.42	203.51	201.18	198.83	192.08	190.91
Nova Scotia	226.55	228.57	227.65	226.23	214.72	216.59	231.36	230.58	229.07	225.73
New Brunswick	241.62	241.30	237.80	231.25	225.29	226.96	245.47	242.34	238.25	234.53
Quebec	266.74	270.26	269.34	268.75	248.91	252.42	271.85	269.61	267.36	268.62
Ontario	267.61	271.82	269.77	270.17	252.83	256.20	273.68	272.12	267.89	269.17
Prairie Region	267.61	269.83	270.60	265.78	250.15	251.14	273.35	270.51	269.23	265.75
Manitoba	243.68	244.34	245.78	244.35	229.94	226.93	247.34	246.61	244.97	242.94
Saskatchewan	257.32	256.61	257.42	253.33	239.30	239.05	259.34	257.36	255.00	253.20
Alberta	282.49	286.38	286.88	280.25	264.11	267.53	290.78	286.75	286.02	279.69
British Columbia	300.34	309.23	309.07	310.43	283.08	291.49	309.95	308.52	306.56	308.24
Yukon	361.18	366.56	368.33	368.20	347.80	343.44
Northwest Territories	318.75	327.59	318.01	321.80	296.47	303.06
Canada	269.02	273.01	271.78	271.00	252.81	256.31	274.76	273.12	269.97	270.70

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Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, February 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Stocks of fruits, frozen and in preservatives, in storages and factories on February 1 totalled 43.2 million pounds compared with 37.4 million last year. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 142.7 million pounds (131.3 million in 1978).

For further information, order the February issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Tobacco Products — Cigarettes and Cigars, January 1979 — Advance Information

Production of cigarettes at 5.5 billion in January was unchanged from January 1978. Production of cigars increased to 39.9 million from 38.9 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the January issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian mills shipped 242,411,000 square feet (22 521 000 m²) 3/8" (9.525 mm) basis of softwood plywood in November, up from 222,040,000 square feet (20 628 000 m²) in November 1977.

Shipments of hardwood plywood amounted to 30,190,000 square feet (2 804 000 m²) surface measure for November, a decrease of 10.2% from the same month in 1977.

For further information, order the November issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods* (35-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Hours and Average Hourly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Dec. 1978f	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978p	Sept. 1978r	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Dec. 1978f	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978p	Sept. 1978r
						number				
Average Weekly Hours:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	39.8	41.3	40.9	40.7	40.4	41.0	39.9	40.7	40.6	40.8
Manufacturing	38.3	39.3	39.2	39.2	37.9	39.0	39.3	38.9	38.8	38.9
Durable Goods	38.8	40.2	40.1	40.0	38.8	40.1	39.9	39.8	39.6	39.6
Non-durable Goods	37.8	38.4	38.3	38.3	37.0	37.9	38.7	38.2	38.0	38.0
Construction	36.7	38.9	40.2	40.6	34.9	39.0	41.3	38.8	38.7	39.4
Building	36.5	37.5	37.8	38.2	34.6	37.3	39.7	37.1	36.7	37.7
Engineering	37.0	41.9	44.6	44.5	35.5	42.2	43.9	41.8	42.6	42.6
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	37.1	37.9	38.2	37.5	36.3	37.5	38.5	38.2	38.7	37.5
Quebec	38.7	39.6	39.6	39.6	38.1	39.5	39.9	39.1	39.0	39.2
Ontario	38.9	40.0	39.8	39.9	38.6	39.7	39.9	39.7	39.4	39.5
Prairie Region	36.8	37.6	37.9	37.6	36.7	36.8	37.3	37.4	37.5	37.4
British Columbia	35.5	36.9	36.5	36.2	35.5	36.6	36.2	36.4	36.4	36.5
						dollars				
Average Hourly Earnings:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	9.43	9.17	9.10	8.82	8.47	8.43	9.35	9.13	9.07	8.85
Manufacturing	7.04	7.04	7.01	6.97	6.60	6.57	7.08	7.06	7.00	7.00
Durable Goods	7.49	7.52	7.51	7.48	7.01	7.03	7.56	7.53	7.48	7.46
Non-durable Goods	6.55	6.50	6.47	6.42	6.15	6.08	6.57	6.55	6.52	6.49
Construction	10.54	10.66	10.54	10.50	9.92	10.04	10.73	10.51	10.48	10.50
Building	10.77	10.86	10.72	10.67	9.95	10.03	10.95	10.70	10.58	10.60
Engineering	10.00	10.26	10.25	10.26	9.87	10.05	10.30	10.12	10.26	10.36
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	6.46	6.35	6.22	6.10	6.03	5.96	6.40	6.39	6.21	6.20
Quebec	6.38	6.40	6.38	6.34	5.99	5.96	6.42	6.42	6.41	6.35
Ontario	7.09	7.10	7.09	7.05	6.67	6.65	7.15	7.13	7.09	7.04
Prairie Region	7.13	7.09	7.09	7.03	6.63	6.62	7.16	7.08	7.02	7.00
British Columbia	9.33	9.25	9.22	9.17	8.63	8.63	9.29	9.23	9.19	9.19

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Farm Input Price Indexes (1971=100), Fourth Quarter 1978 (Revised)

The following indexes for Eastern Canada have been amended subsequent to their release in the February 13, 1979 issue of the *Statistics Canada Daily*:

- Total farm input to 203.4 from 203.1
- Machinery and motor vehicles to 181.9 from 180.0

For further information order the fourth quarter issue of *Farm Input Price Indexes* (62-004, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact the Information Unit (613-995-5738), Industrial Prices Section, Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

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Industry Selling Price Index (Manufacturing)

Revisions to certain industry indexes, principally the Petroleum Refineries (S.I.C. 3651) have been incorporated in the total index, with revised data beginning in February 1977.

For further information, contact the Information Unit (613-995-5738), Industrial Prices Section, Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Exports by Commodities, November 1978 (65-004, 80¢/\$8)

The Dairy Review, December 1978 (23-001, 40¢/\$4)

Grain Milling Statistics, December 1978 (32-003, 30¢/\$3)

Advertising Agencies, 1977 (63-201, 35¢)

Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances, December 1978 (43-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Private and Public Investment in Canada, Outlook 1979 — Advance Information

Advance national estimates of capital expenditures for 1978 and 1979 in the accompanying tables were compiled for an early release at this time. These advance totals are subject to revisions during the detailed provincial compilations now under way but this advance information is considered adequate to indicate emerging patterns for the year ahead. All amounts shown are in current dollars without any adjustments for price increases in 1978 or in 1979. As soon as the detailed estimates by province are completed, the data will be made available to users on CANSIM in mid-March for both capital expenditures and for repair expenditures charged to operating expenses. That information and further special tables will in turn appear in *Private and Public Investment in Canada, Outlook 1979* to be released in early April.

The total of capital expenditures during 1979 by all sectors of the Canadian economy is estimated at \$54,697 million, 8.9% above the 1978 amount of \$50,208 million. The current measurement for 1978 is marginally higher than the mid-year (1978) estimate of \$49,950 million for 1978 and 7.8% above the \$46,594 million for 1977.

Capital expenditures for new construction in 1979 are expected to reach \$34,822 million, 7.9% higher than the \$32,263 million in 1978. In the construction program, residential construction is estimated at \$11,715 million (up 3.0% from \$11,375 million in 1978) using a basis of 215,000 starts projected for 1979 compared with 228,000 starts in 1978. Non-residential construction, representing the remainder of the construction program, is expected to rise 10.6% to \$23,107 million from \$20,888 million. The total for acquisition of new machinery and equipment during 1979 is \$19,875 million (up 10.8% from \$17,945 million in 1978).

The total of capital spending by the business group is projected to increase 11.6% to \$34,847 million from \$31,231 million a year earlier. The increase is smaller for outlays on social capital by institutions and governments which are estimated at \$8,135 million (up 7.0% from \$7,603 million).

In the business group, utilities contribute the largest gain in value for 1979 with an over-all total of \$11,731 million (up 9.5% from \$10,710 million in 1978) because of increases for electric power, air and rail transportation and for telephones with some limited offsetting decreases for pipelines, urban and motor transportation. The program for manufacturing is somewhat stronger in 1979 than in 1978 with the expected total of \$6,780 million advancing 8.9% from \$6,229 million. The increase during 1978 was only 2.4% over a total of \$6,081 million in 1977. In the current year, the largest gains are shown for transportation equipment, primary metals, food and beverages, with smaller increases for wood products, non-metallic minerals, machinery, paper and allied industries. Only four industry groups show decreases in current dollars (chemicals and chemical products, petroleum and coal products, metal fabricating and clothing).

In the remainder of the business sector, some strength is expected in most industry groups. The mining group is expected to reach \$4,414 million (up 16.4% from \$3,791 million), mostly as a result of growth for petroleum and gas. A higher level for metal mining is mostly from the copper-gold-silver group and from uranium. Non-metal mining on the other hand shows a decrease for 1979. Sizeable gains are expected for the trade-finance-commercial group where trade is shown to be up by 8.3% in 1979, finance rises 14.5%, and commercial services has a 25.2% increase with significant expansion recorded for acquisitions of machinery for leasing to others. Capital spending in agriculture and fishing is projected to increase 8.2% to \$3,777 million from \$3,491 million in 1978.

Capital expenditures of the social capital group of institutions and government at \$8,135 million (up 7.0% from \$7,603 million) is registering a lower rate of increase in the current year than the 8.2% increase of 1978 over 1977. In the total for governments for 1979, the federal departments are expected to have outlays of \$986 million compared with \$1,107 million in 1978. On the other hand, capital spending of provincial government departments is expected to increase to \$2,763 million (up 12.8% from \$2,449 million). The total for municipalities is also increasing 4.5% to \$2,609 million from \$2,497 million. In the institutions group, outlays for schools at \$798 million dominate the increase over 1978 when the additions of schools were only \$680 million following \$735 million in 1977.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Duncan Lusick or Richard Landry (613-995-9013), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see tables on pages 3-6)

Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, January 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,579,805,000 square feet (146 769 000 m²) of corrugated boxes and wrappers in January, an increase of 14.0% over the January 1978 total of 1,385,864,000 square feet (128 751 000 m²).

For further information, order the January issue of *Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Comparisons, Capital Expenditures

	1979 intentions with 1978 preliminary actual		1978 preliminary actual with 1977 actual	
	\$ millions	% change	\$ millions	% change
Agriculture and fishing	286.0	8.2	494.7	16.5
Forestry	22.5	9.5	16.0	7.3
Mining, quarrying and oil wells	623.6	16.4	-74.1	-1.9
Construction industry	68.9	7.9	58.5	7.2
Manufacturing	551.6	8.9	147.9	2.4
Utilities	1,020.5	9.5	1,522.2	16.6
Trade	90.9	8.3	-19.9	-1.8
Finance, insurance and real estate	348.3	14.5	271.9	12.8
Commercial services	603.8	25.2	311.8	14.9
Total Business	3,616.1	11.6	2,729.0	9.6
Institutions	228.0	14.7	34.5	2.3
Government departments	304.6	5.0	540.6	9.8
Social (excl. housing)	532.6	7.0	575.1	8.2
Housing (construction)	339.9	3.0	310.1	2.8
Total Capital	4,488.6	8.9	3,614.2	7.8
Other comparisons				
Total construction	2,558.4	7.9	2,133.5	7.1
Non-residential construction	2,218.5	10.6	1,823.4	9.6
Total machinery and equipment	1,930.2	10.8	1,480.7	9.0

Summary by Sectors, Canada

1977 to 1979(1)
(Millions of dollars)

		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Agriculture and fishing	1977	607.4	2,388.9	2,996.3
	1978	718.6	2,772.4	3,491.0
	1979	807.0	2,970.0	3,777.0
Forestry	1977	105.0	115.5	220.5
	1978	104.1	132.4	236.5
	1979	114.5	144.5	259.0
Mining, quarrying and oil wells	1977	2,839.6	1,025.3	3,864.9
	1978	3,013.0	777.8	3,790.8
	1979	3,626.3	788.1	4,414.4
Construction industry	1977	130.6	686.1	816.7
	1978	139.9	735.3	875.2
	1979	150.9	793.2	944.1
Manufacturing	1977	1,658.9	4,421.8	6,080.7
	1978	1,679.3	4,549.3	6,228.6
	1979	1,633.0	5,147.2	6,780.2
Utilities	1977	5,073.4	4,114.8	9,188.2
	1978	5,799.8	4,910.6	10,710.4
	1979	6,328.4	5,402.5	11,730.9
Trade, wholesale and retail	1977	362.9	757.7	1,120.6
	1978	345.6	755.1	1,100.7
	1979	360.1	831.5	1,191.6
Finance, insurance and real estate	1977	1,882.5	244.3	2,126.8
	1978	2,106.3	292.4	2,398.7
	1979	2,425.3	321.7	2,747.0
Commercial services	1977	359.5	1,727.6	2,087.1
	1978	399.9	1,999.0	2,398.9
	1979	510.1	2,492.6	3,002.7
Institutions	1977	1,179.7	334.5	1,514.2
	1978	1,188.9	359.8	1,548.7
	1979	1,386.4	390.3	1,776.7
Government departments	1977	4,865.3	648.0	5,513.3
	1978	5,392.8	661.1	6,053.9
	1979	5,764.7	593.8	6,358.5

		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub total
Housing	1977	11,064.8	—	11,064.8
	1978	11,374.9	—	11,374.9
	1979	11,714.8	—	11,714.8
Total (items 1 to 12)	1977	30,129.6	16,464.5	46,594.1
	1978	32,263.1	17,945.2	50,208.3
	1979	34,821.5	19,875.4	54,696.9

Mining, Canada

1977 to 1979(1)
(Millions of dollars)

Mines:

Metal mines

Gold	1977	20.3	4.5	24.8
	1978	26.3	5.9	32.2
	1979	31.2	8.9	40.1
Iron	1977	265.8	185.1	450.9
	1978	100.7	50.6	151.3
	1979	122.0	44.5	166.5
Copper-gold-silver	1977	107.7	74.2	181.9
	1978	85.5	51.5	137.0
	1979	105.4	74.2	179.6
Silver-lead-zinc	1977	53.9	23.1	77.0
	1978	47.9	27.3	75.2
	1979	56.3	27.9	84.2
Other metal mines	1977	179.1	65.1	244.2
	1978	146.8	62.4	209.2
	1979	185.3	59.1	244.4
Sub-total (items 1 to 5)	1977	626.8	352.0	978.8
	1978	407.2	197.7	604.9
	1979	500.2	214.6	714.8

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		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Non-metal mines				
Asbestos	1977	66.4	37.3	103.7
	1978	60.8	36.2	97.0
	1979	69.3	41.9	111.2
Other non-metal mines	1977	148.4	188.5	336.9
	1978	129.5	219.5	349.0
	1979	122.1	163.2	285.3
Sub-total (items 7 and 8)	1977	214.8	225.8	440.6
	1978	190.3	255.7	446.0
	1979	191.4	205.1	396.5
Total mines (items 6 and 9)	1977	841.6	577.8	1,419.4
	1978	597.5	453.4	1,050.9
	1979	691.6	419.7	1,111.3
Petroleum and gas	1977	1,998.0	447.5	2,445.5
	1978	2,415.5	324.4	2,739.9
	1979	2,934.7	368.4	3,303.1
Total (items 10 and 11)	1977	2,839.6	1,025.3	3,864.9
	1978	3,013.0	777.8	3,790.8
	1979	3,626.3	788.1	4,414.4

Manufacturing, Canada

1977 to 1979(1) (Millions of dollars)				
Food and beverages	1977	162.2	343.6	505.8
	1978	155.3	389.0	544.3
	1979	197.0	471.8	668.8
Tobacco products	1977	1.7	16.8	18.5
	1978	6.6	19.4	26.0
	1979	6.0	28.1	34.1
Rubber	1977	14.2	87.0	101.2
	1978	16.1	85.6	101.7
	1979	21.9	101.3	123.2
Leather	1977	2.7	9.7	12.4
	1978	4.0	7.4	11.4
	1979	3.4	8.7	12.1
Textiles	1977	16.0	60.5	76.5
	1978	15.5	72.5	88.0
	1979	11.8	78.0	89.8
Knitting mills	1977	0.9	8.8	9.7
	1978	1.0	6.9	7.9
	1979	1.0	7.1	8.1
Clothing	1977	5.0	16.0	21.0
	1978	8.0	15.9	23.9
	1979	6.4	16.2	22.6
Wood	1977	67.3	181.0	248.3
	1978	70.9	225.5	296.4
	1979	106.1	245.7	351.8
Furniture and fixtures	1977	8.6	12.3	20.9
	1978	6.5	9.6	16.1
	1979	7.7	10.5	18.2
Paper and allied industries	1977	181.4	586.4	767.8
	1978	118.8	579.5	698.3
	1979	89.0	638.2	727.2
Printing, publish- ing and allied industries	1977	16.5	89.2	105.7
	1978	21.4	99.0	120.4
	1979	24.2	116.1	140.3
Primary metals	1977	171.2	549.1	720.3
	1978	161.2	509.7	670.9
	1979	193.6	616.6	810.2
Metal fabricating	1977	46.5	151.5	198.0
	1978	52.9	171.5	224.4
	1979	39.1	184.6	223.7

		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Machinery	1977	31.3	100.6	131.9
	1978	31.6	103.0	134.6
	1979	46.0	135.2	181.2
Transportation equipment	1977	79.8	264.9	344.7
	1978	78.5	339.4	417.9
	1979	219.9	497.1	717.0
Electrical products	1977	24.6	106.2	130.8
	1978	16.8	109.1	125.9
	1979	16.9	131.9	148.8
Non-metallic mineral products	1977	63.3	215.5	278.8
	1978	63.6	203.3	266.9
	1979	70.3	246.1	316.4
Petroleum and coal products	1977	268.2	98.4	366.6
	1978	231.1	95.2	326.3
	1979	160.1	79.4	239.5
Chemical and chemical products	1977	489.7	840.8	1,330.5
	1978	605.1	812.6	1,417.7
	1979	392.4	754.2	1,146.6
Miscellaneous	1977	7.8	37.4	45.2
	1978	14.4	38.8	53.2
	1979	20.2	46.6	66.8
Capital items charg- ed to operating expenses	1977	—	646.1	646.1
	1978	—	656.4	656.4
	1979	—	733.8	733.8
Total (items 1 to 21)	1977	1,658.9	4,421.8	6,080.7
	1978	1,679.3	4,549.3	6,228.6
	1979	1,633.0	5,147.2	6,780.2

Utilities, Canada

1977 to 1979(1) (Millions of dollars)				
Transportation:				
Air transport	1977	32.6	85.7	118.3
	1978	20.0	337.3	357.3
	1979	36.5	548.8	585.3
Railway transport	1977	367.5	160.1	527.6
	1978	381.5	186.3	567.8
	1979	469.5	258.7	728.2
Water transport and services	1977	68.4	146.5	214.9
	1978	65.1	148.7	213.8
	1979	80.1	158.5	238.6
Motor transport	1977	28.4	198.2	226.6
	1978	32.8	213.6	246.4
	1979	39.5	206.7	246.2
Urban transit systems	1977	162.3	173.8	336.1
	1978	141.7	167.3	309.0
	1979	162.0	146.1	308.1
Pipelines	1977	331.4	43.5	374.9
	1978	268.6	54.8	323.4
	1979	218.6	54.5	273.1
Capital items charg- ed to operating expenses	1977	—	25.7	25.7
	1978	—	30.0	30.0
	1979	—	35.5	35.5
Sub-total (items 1 to 7)	1977	990.6	833.5	1,824.1
	1978	909.7	1,138.0	2,047.7
	1979	1,006.2	1,408.8	2,415.0

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		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Communication				
Broadcasting	1977	56.7	100.8	157.5
	1978	56.8	88.7	145.5
	1979	55.0	80.7	135.7
Telephone and telegraph	1977	645.6	1,300.3	1,945.9
	1978	701.7	1,350.2	2,051.9
	1979	727.3	1,399.4	2,126.7
Capital items charg- ed to operating ex- penses	1977	—	25.9	25.9
	1978	—	26.7	26.7
	1979	—	28.2	28.2
Sub-total (items 9 to 11)	1977	702.3	1,427.0	2,129.3
	1978	758.5	1,465.6	2,224.1
	1979	782.3	1,508.3	2,290.6
Miscellaneous utilities				
Grain elevators	1977	39.2	38.1	77.3
	1978	39.5	47.9	87.4
	1979	34.7	43.3	78.0
Electric power	1977	3,158.1	1,725.6	4,883.7
	1978	3,896.7	2,153.6	6,050.3
	1979	4,298.9	2,333.8	6,632.7
Gas distribution	1977	158.1	54.9	213.0
	1978	176.2	62.7	238.9
	1979	188.5	62.3	250.8
Other utilities	1977	25.1	8.3	33.4
	1978	19.2	9.4	28.6
	1979	17.8	9.7	27.5
Capital items charg- ed to operating expenses	1977	—	27.4	27.4
	1978	—	33.4	33.4
	1979	—	36.3	36.3
Sub-total (items 13 to 17)	1977	3,380.5	1,854.3	5,234.8
	1978	4,131.6	2,307.0	6,438.6
	1979	4,539.9	2,485.4	7,025.3
Total (items 8, 12 and 18)	1977	5,073.4	4,114.8	9,188.2
	1978	5,799.8	4,910.6	10,710.4
	1979	6,328.4	5,402.5	11,730.9

Trade, Finance and Commercial, Canada1977 to 1979(1)
(Millions of dollars)

Trade:				
Wholesale	1977	113.7	218.1	331.8
	1978	110.7	172.9	283.6
	1979	128.1	214.0	342.1
Department stores	1977	43.1	77.8	120.9
	1978	23.2	91.5	114.7
	1979	30.6	119.8	150.4
Automotive trade	1977	76.3	167.9	244.2
	1978	81.7	180.2	261.9
	1979	81.9	181.3	263.2
Combination food stores	1977	41.7	109.3	151.0
	1978	35.4	119.5	154.9
	1979	26.8	131.4	158.2
Other chainstores	1977	57.1	59.9	117.0
	1978	53.9	65.8	119.7
	1979	55.8	72.5	128.3
Other independent stores	1977	31.0	55.4	86.4
	1978	40.7	55.7	96.4
	1979	36.9	36.9	73.8
Capital items charg- ed to operating expenses	1977	—	69.3	69.3
	1978	—	69.5	69.5
	1979	—	75.6	75.6
Sub-total (items 1 to 7)	1977	362.9	757.7	1,120.6
	1978	345.6	755.1	1,100.7
	1979	360.1	831.5	1,191.6

		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Finance:				
Banks	1977	125.3	73.9	199.2
	1978	205.9	95.7	301.6
	1979	224.5	107.6	332.1
Insurance, trust and loan companies	1977	74.8	58.9	133.7
	1978	90.8	59.8	150.6
	1979	77.3	63.4	140.7
Other finance	1977	1,682.4	111.5	1,793.9
	1978	1,809.6	136.9	1,946.5
	1979	2,123.5	150.7	2,274.2
Sub-total (items 9 to 11)	1977	1,882.5	244.3	2,126.8
	1978	2,106.3	292.4	2,398.7
	1979	2,425.3	321.7	2,747.0
Commercial services:				
Laundries and dry cleaners	1977	2.8	5.8	8.6
	1978	2.4	7.6	10.0
	1979	1.5	7.8	9.3
Motion picture theatres	1977	8.5	7.9	16.4
	1978	3.3	4.1	7.4
	1979	4.1	3.9	8.0
Hotels	1977	133.0	43.0	176.0
	1978	132.2	47.2	179.4
	1979	146.8	62.4	209.2
Other commercial services	1977	215.2	1,670.9	1,886.1
	1978	262.0	1,940.1	2,202.1
	1979	357.7	2,418.5	2,776.2
Sub-total (items 13 to 16)	1977	359.5	1,727.6	2,087.1
	1978	399.9	1,999.0	2,398.9
	1979	510.1	2,492.6	3,002.7
Total (items 8, 12 and 17)	1977	2,604.9	2,729.6	5,334.5
	1978	2,851.8	3,046.5	5,898.3
	1979	3,295.5	3,645.8	6,941.3

**Institutions and Government Departments,
Canada**1977 to 1979(1)
(Millions of dollars)

Institutions:				
Churches	1977	42.8	4.0	46.8
	1978	43.9	4.5	48.4
	1979	42.6	4.7	47.3
Universities	1977	143.9	71.1	215.0
	1978	157.7	74.9	232.6
	1979	168.5	84.8	253.3
Schools	1977	618.8	115.9	734.7
	1978	553.3	126.4	679.7
	1979	670.6	127.3	797.9
Hospitals	1977	302.5	129.2	431.7
	1978	375.6	141.4	517.0
	1979	437.8	161.1	598.9
Other institutions	1977	71.7	14.3	86.0
	1978	58.4	12.6	71.0
	1979	66.9	12.4	79.3
Sub-total (items 1 to 5)	1977	1,179.7	334.5	1,514.2
	1978	1,188.9	359.8	1,548.7
	1979	1,386.4	390.3	1,776.7
Government departments:				
Federal	1977	695.8	314.0	1,009.8
	1978	770.9	336.5	1,107.4
	1979	696.8	289.4	986.2

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		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Provincial	1977	1,997.3	157.4	2,154.7
	1978	2,312.4	137.0	2,449.4
	1979	2,636.4	126.9	2,763.3
Municipal	1977	2,172.2	176.6	2,348.8
	1978	2,309.5	187.6	2,497.1
	1979	2,431.5	177.5	2,609.0
Sub-total (items 7 to 9)	1977	4,865.3	648.0	5,513.3
	1978	5,392.8	661.1	6,053.9
	1979	5,764.7	593.8	6,358.5
Total (items 6 and 10)	1977	6,045.0	982.5	7,027.5
	1978	6,581.7	1,020.9	7,602.6
	1979	7,151.1	984.1	8,135.2

(1) Actual expenditures 1977, Preliminary actual 1978, Intentions 1979.

Key Economic Series, March 1979

During the coming month, the release of Key Economic Series data is expected to be in accordance with the schedule outlined below. Where a range of dates is given for a series, this represents the period within which publication of the data can be reasonably expected, the variability taking account of circumstances peculiar to each series. Any range may be exceeded on rare occasions, for reasons unpredictable at this time.

February 26 to March 9: Unemployment Insurance Statistics, month of December;

March 5 to 7: Industry Selling Price Index, month of January;

March 6: Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, month of January;

March 7: Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments, 4th Quarter 1978;

March 12 to 15: Building Permits, month of December;

March 12 to 16: Retail Trade, month of January;

March 13: Labour Force Survey, month of February;

March 19 to 21: Wholesale Trade, month of January;

March 19 to 23: Private and Public Investment in Canada, Outlook by Provinces 1979 (Final Figures);

March 16: The Consumer Price Index, month of February;

March 20 to 26: Index of Industrial Production, month of January;

March 22 to 23: Inventories, Shipments and Orders, month of January;

March 23 to 27: Labour Income, month of January;

March 23 to 28: Real Domestic Product, month of January;

March 23 to 29: Employment, Earnings and Hours, month of January;

March 26 to 29: Industrial Corporations' Financial Statistics, 4th Quarter 1978 (Final Figures);

March 26 to April 6: Unemployment Insurance Statistics, month of January.

It should be noted that the April schedule of Key Economic Series will appear in the *Daily* and on CANSIM on March 28, 1979. The schedule of Key Economic Series is now available on CANSIM, and can

be retrieved by using the command "DATES". The schedule will be issued once per month as noted above.

For any enquiry concerning the release of these series, contact Mr. Jack Kerr (613-992-1548), Production Planning and Scheduling Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

International Travel Receipts and Payments, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates for 1978 show that Canada earned \$2,364 million from international travel while payments abroad amounted to \$4,083 million, resulting in a deficit of \$1,719 million compared to \$1,641 million in 1977. The increase in the deficit was the smallest since 1975.

Although the number of visitors from the United States fell slightly (-0.6%), receipts increased to \$1,635 million from \$1,525 million in 1977. Receipts from countries other than the U.S. reached \$729 million in 1978 compared with \$500 million in the preceding year as the number of visitors from these countries increased sharply (up 17%), taking advantage of a more favorable exchange rate to visit Canada.

In 1978, Canadians travelling abroad had to face higher costs because of inflation and a further depreciation of the Canadian dollar on international monetary markets. Thus, payments to the U.S. totalled \$2,560 million (\$2,280 million in 1977) even though 1.6% fewer Canadians visited the U.S. Expenditures in all other countries amounted to \$1,523 million (\$1,386 million in 1977) as the number of Canadians visiting these countries increased by 1.8%.

For further information, order the October-December issue of *Travel Between Canada and Other Countries* (66-001, \$1.75/\$7), or contact Mr. M.W. Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Financial Flows and Multinational Enterprises Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Receipts and Payments on International Travel

	QI	QII	1977r QIII	QIV	Year	QI (\$ millions)	QII	1978p QIII	QIV	Year
United States										
Receipts	140	403	756	226	1,525	154	406	832	243	1,635
Payments	671	579	653	377	2,280	760	657	697	446	2,560
Balance	-531	-176	103	-151	-755	-606	-251	135	-203	-925
All Other Countries										
Receipts	52	139	223	86	500	64	213	334	118	729
Payments	361	315	448	262	1,386	381	380	496	266	1,523
Balance	-309	-176	-225	-176	-886	-317	-167	-162	-148	-794
Total All Countries										
Receipts	192	542	979	312	2,025	218	619	1,166	361	2,364
Payments	1,032	894	1,101	639	3,666	1,141	1,037	1,193	712	4,083
Balance	-840	-352	-122	-327	-1,641	-923	-418	-27	-351	-1,719

p Preliminary estimates.

r Final estimates.

Housing Starts, in Centres of 10,000 Population and Over (Dwelling Units)

January 1979 and 1978

	1978					1979				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	26	—	—	31	57	9	—	—	—	9
Prince Edward Island	9	—	—	—	9	1	—	—	25	26
Nova Scotia	112	8	—	131	251	64	—	—	48	112
New Brunswick	27	4	—	16	47	72	2	—	—	74
Quebec	750	78	5	1,974	2,807	964	152	15	1,121	2,252
Ontario	688	566	339	2,288	3,881	800	188	242	1,286	2,516
Manitoba	150	117	224	1,066	1,557	111	58	17	606	792
Saskatchewan	143	80	16	814	1,053	329	20	—	97	446
Alberta	729	302	916	1,318	3,265	903	276	589	1,581	3,349
British Columbia	576	178	218	1,059	2,031	606	35	180	1,136	1,957
Canada Unadjusted	3,210	1,333	1,718	8,697	14,958	3,859	731	1,043	5,900	11,533
	multiples					multiples				
Canada, adjusted annual rate (000's)	68.3	172.2			240.5	82.4	112.1			194.5

For further information, order the January issue of *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact J.P. D  lisle (613-995-8213), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Asphalt Roofing Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2720		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	15	15	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,034	998	-3.5
Man-hours paid	000's	2,177	2,127	-2.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	12,948	13,695	5.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,905	3,526	21.4
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	86,790	91,161	5.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	148,321	153,526	3.5
Value added	\$000	60,065	62,363	3.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,549	1,540	-0.6
Total salaries and wages	\$000	20,696	22,348	8.0
Total value added	\$000	62,662	64,246	2.5

For further information, contact G. W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Asphalt Roofing Manufacturers, 1977* (36-205, 70¢).

Advance Estimates of Employees

December 1978

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Number of Employees									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations						Seasonally adjusted			
	Dec. 1978f	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978r	Sept. 1978r	Dec. 1977 (000's)	Nov. 1977	Dec. 1978f	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978r	Sept. 1978r
Industry Division										
Forestry	64.6	70.3	76.1	78.8	61.9	69.8	71.3	69.2	69.5	68.5
Mining (including milling)	135.0	137.0	138.2	138.9	138.4	141.9	136.1	136.8	138.4	138.9
Manufacturing	1,796.0	1,836.2	1,845.2	1,847.4	1,732.0	1,782.8	1,839.7	1,834.4	1,831.7	1,819.9
Construction	394.0	456.8	486.1	489.2	394.1	468.6	450.7	445.6	446.7	441.1
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	805.4	812.3	815.2	826.2	781.3	794.5	824.7	818.8	810.6	812.2
Trade	1,515.6	1,509.1	1,496.8	1,480.4	1,458.2	1,464.3	1,484.6	1,480.8	1,474.9	1,479.1
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	488.5	489.4	490.1	487.1	484.4	487.2	491.6	491.0	490.6	486.4
Total Service	2,549.6	2,598.1	2,595.0	2,565.1	2,495.3	2,558.4	2,577.5	2,573.0	2,571.4	2,546.9
Non-commercial Service	1,428.6	1,457.8	1,438.0	1,399.1	1,405.5	1,435.2	1,413.0	1,413.6	1,408.3	1,397.3
Commercial Service	1,121.0	1,140.4	1,156.9	1,166.0	1,089.8	1,123.2	1,164.5	1,159.4	1,163.1	1,149.6
Public Administration and Defence(1)	615.4	619.1	620.1	632.9	612.7	614.3	633.4	632.3	631.0	633.8
Total Non-agricultural Industries(2)	8,374.1	8,538.4	8,575.6	8,560.3	8,164.2	8,387.1	8,523.0	8,493.8	8,478.6	8,438.5
Total Non-agricultural Industries										
Newfoundland	129.7	134.0	135.5	140.0	124.5	130.4	134.1	132.8	131.6	133.8
Prince Edward Island	29.9	30.4	30.7	31.5	27.7	28.4	31.3	30.4	30.0	29.7
Nova Scotia	248.3	250.8	252.8	255.2	237.6	246.6	254.4	249.6	249.6	250.5
New Brunswick	186.5	192.3	193.6	197.2	183.6	192.0	194.6	193.5	190.8	189.4
Quebec	2,098.5	2,152.7	2,164.3	2,161.1	2,071.2	2,141.9	2,135.1	2,132.7	2,130.7	2,124.8
Ontario	3,365.5	3,425.2	3,430.1	3,403.1	3,302.3	3,378.1	3,424.1	3,411.3	3,398.5	3,371.2
Manitoba	348.7	351.1	352.9	351.6	338.3	350.6	353.8	348.6	348.9	346.4
Saskatchewan	259.2	264.5	266.2	265.4	251.0	255.7	261.8	263.0	264.4	262.5
Alberta	761.6	773.5	776.3	773.4	718.4	729.8	771.0	769.5	770.5	762.5
British Columbia	912.9	930.5	936.5	943.2	882.2	906.4	924.3	926.4	925.7	932.9
Canada(3)	8,374.1	8,538.4	8,575.6	8,560.3	8,164.2	8,387.1	8,523.0	8,493.8	8,478.6	8,438.5

f first estimate based on a limited number of returns

p preliminary figures

r revised figures

(1) Excludes military personnel

(2) Includes Fishing and Trapping

(3) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories

Estimates of Employees, December 1978 — Advance Information

Monthly summary data are released on a regular basis in the *Statistics Canada Daily*, while detailed monthly information is published in catalogue 72-008, *Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry*, and is also available from Mr. G. Mahoney (613-992-3868), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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Selected Principal Statistics for Corrugated Box Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2732		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	88	90	2.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	7,833	7,515	-4.1
Man-hours paid	000's	15,564	15,465	-0.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	92,884	101,982	9.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	6,822	8,260	21.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	348,842	365,071	4.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	578,489	598,848	3.5
Value added	\$000	223,739	225,037	0.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	10,537	10,196	-3.3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	132,147	146,456	10.8
Total value added	\$000	222,471	223,848	0.6

For further information, contact G. W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Corrugated Box Manufacturers, 1977* (36-213, 70¢).

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PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Quarterly Shipments of Flush Type Doors (Wood) by Canadian Manufacturers, Quarter Ended December 31, 1978 (35-004, 35¢/\$1.40)

Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, December 1978 (43-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Aviation Statistics Centre (51-004, \$4.20 a year), Vol. 11, No. 2, Canadian Air Transport Industry, Summary Statistics

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Dec. 1978f	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978r	Dec. 1977
	(\$ millions)			
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture, Fishing and Trapping	84.3	97.8	126.6	79.3
Forestry	99.6	120.5	125.8	104.9
Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells	261.3	263.6	261.1	247.9
Manufacturing Industries	2,355.9	2,392.7	2,387.7	2,114.9
Construction Industry	651.7	772.8	848.4	710.4
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	1,095.3	1,110.4	1,090.9	976.0
Trade	1,406.9	1,374.3	1,348.6	1,311.5
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	704.9	689.3	676.1	616.9
Commercial and Personal Service	965.9	964.3	971.6	877.0
Education and Related Services	1,104.6	1,118.6	1,087.2	1,018.9
Health and Welfare Services	651.3	644.0	660.5	600.2
Federal Administration and Other Government Offices	393.9	405.7	394.2	370.7
Provincial Administration	318.2	309.2	310.3	289.6
Local Administration	258.8	257.4	240.5	226.6
Total Wages and Salaries	10,352.6	10,520.4	10,529.6	9,544.8
Supplementary Labour Income	855.7	869.5	870.1	752.0
Labour Income	11,208.2	11,389.9	11,399.7	10,296.8
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture, Fishing and Trapping	111.5	116.0	118.6	103.6
Forestry	110.5	114.9	110.7	116.3
Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells	263.2	262.9	262.3	249.3
Manufacturing Industries	2,398.2	2,387.4	2,353.3	2,151.3
Construction Industry	742.9	741.6	748.4	812.5
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	1,118.7	1,120.3	1,087.0	996.2
Trade	1,358.1	1,351.2	1,337.3	1,265.9
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	716.2	699.3	682.9	627.1
Commercial and Personal Service	990.3	978.4	966.8	898.7
Education and Related Services	1,065.4	1,069.6	1,055.9	965.9
Health and Welfare Services	677.8	662.3	667.0	624.0
Federal Administration and Other Government Offices	401.9	411.9	397.9	377.9
Provincial Administration	316.4	312.3	315.6	288.3
Local Administration	257.5	263.1	245.3	225.6
Total Wages and Salaries	10,528.6	10,491.3	10,348.9	9,702.7
Supplementary Labour Income	870.2	867.2	855.3	764.1
Labour Income	11,398.9	11,358.5	11,204.2	10,466.8

f First Estimate

p Preliminary Estimate

r Revised Estimate

Estimates of Labour Income, December 1978 — Advance Information

Labour income for the month of December was estimated at \$11.2 billion, an increase of \$911.4 million or 8.9% from December 1977.

Adjusted for seasonal variation, wages and salaries increased by \$37.3 million between November and December to \$10.5 billion.

Detailed estimates will be published in the October-December issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, \$1.05/\$4.20), or may be obtained upon request from Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8067), Labour Income Section, Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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Oilseeds, January 1979 — Advance Information

Crushings of oilseeds for January, with oil produced and meal produced (all figures in metric tonnes):

- Soybeans: 69 799 (12 042; 54 309).
- Rapeseed: 61 129 (24 726; 35 176).

For further information, order the January issue of *Grains and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, 40¢/\$4), or contact J.M. Huard (613-995-4881), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Dec. 1978f (\$ millions)	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978r
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Newfoundland	146.0	149.9	150.4
Prince Edward Island	27.5	28.1	30.0
Nova Scotia	271.2	277.0	277.3
New Brunswick	210.8	216.5	220.7
Quebec	2,577.0	2,611.9	2,601.9
Ontario	4,233.8	4,296.6	4,273.8
Manitoba	401.3	406.1	415.5
Saskatchewan	308.2	315.2	325.6
Alberta	926.8	945.7	936.8
British Columbia	1,213.8	1,237.7	1,260.1
Yukon, Northwest Territories	36.2	35.8	37.5
Total Wages and Salaries	10,352.6	10,520.4	10,529.6
Supplementary Labour Income	855.7	869.5	870.1
Labour Income	11,208.2	11,389.9	11,399.7
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Newfoundland	150.9	149.0	145.6
Prince Edward Island	28.9	28.6	29.1
Nova Scotia	274.2	276.0	273.2
New Brunswick	217.8	216.4	216.6
Quebec	2,624.8	2,615.7	2,564.5
Ontario	4,280.2	4,274.7	4,203.1
Manitoba	410.5	406.4	406.4
Saskatchewan	314.1	313.6	316.3
Alberta	945.0	940.8	918.4
British Columbia	1,244.3	1,234.2	1,238.9
Yukon, Northwest Territories	37.8	36.0	36.8
Total Wages and Salaries	10,528.6	10,491.3	10,348.9
Supplementary Labour Income	870.2	867.2	855.3
Labour Income	11,398.9	11,358.5	11,204.2

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Residential Building Construction Input Price IndexesJanuary 1979 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Jan. 1978	% Change	
				Jan. 79/ Dec. 78	Jan. 79/ Jan. 78
Canada, Total	201.9	200.0	182.3	1.0	10.8
Materials	195.9	192.9	172.6	1.5	13.5
Labour	212.6	212.6	199.6	—	6.5
Atlantic Provinces, Total	211.4	209.3	192.3	1.0	9.9
Materials	195.5	192.1	175.5	1.7	11.4
Labour	239.0	238.9	221.3	0.1	8.0
Quebec, Total	207.2	205.6	184.8	0.8	12.1
Materials	204.6	202.2	178.5	1.2	14.6
Labour	212.0	212.0	196.8	—	7.7
Ontario, Total	195.4	193.8	175.9	0.9	11.1
Materials	191.2	188.5	167.0	1.4	14.5
Labour	202.7	202.7	191.0	—	6.1
Prairie Provinces, Total	209.4	207.1	192.2	1.1	8.9
Materials	196.1	192.7	176.8	1.8	10.9
Labour	235.1	235.1	222.1	—	5.9
British Columbia, Total	202.3	199.6	183.4	1.4	10.3
Materials	197.9	193.6	175.3	2.2	12.9
Labour	210.1	210.1	197.8	—	6.2

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mr. L. J. Seary (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending February 14, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,178,397	1,815,549	3,993,946
Short tons, 1978	2,348,777	2,033,106	4,381,883
Metric tonnes, 1979	1 976 208	1 647 038	3 623 246
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 130 775	1 844 403	3 975 178
% change	-7.3	-10.7	-8.8
Cars, 1979	36,402	26,783	63,185
Cars, 1978	38,446	30,420	68,866
% change	-5.3	-12.0	-8.2
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	151,083	54,968	206,051
Short tons, 1978	171,069	60,225	231,294
Metric tonnes, 1979	137 060	49 866	186 926
Metric tonnes, 1978	155 191	54 635	209 826
% change	-11.7	-8.7	-10.9
Cars, 1979	4,698	2,081	6,779
Cars, 1978	5,006	2,360	7,366
% change	-6.1	-11.8	-8.0
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	14,258,902	12,922,649	27,181,551
Short tons, 1978	14,630,419	12,260,197	26,890,616
Metric tonnes, 1979	12 935 458	11 723 230	24 658 688
Metric tonnes, 1978	13 272 493	11 122 264	24 394 757
% change	-2.5	5.4	1.1
Cars, 1979	231,210	190,737	421,947
Cars, 1978	232,365	186,446	418,811
% change	-0.5	2.3	0.7
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	942,414	381,142	1,323,556
Short tons, 1978	987,757	355,946	1,343,703
Metric tonnes, 1979	854 944	345 766	1 200 710
Metric tonnes, 1978	896 078	322 909	1 218 987
% change	-4.6	7.1	-1.5
Cars, 1979	28,918	14,775	43,693
Cars, 1978	29,147	14,341	43,488
% change	-0.9	3.0	0.5

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended February 14, 1979
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Railways in Canada loaded 3.6 million t (4.0 million short tons) of revenue freight in the above-noted week, a decrease of 8.8% from the corresponding 1978 period. Volume in the latest seven days declined 7.3% in the East and 10.7% in the West. The total number of cars loaded was down 8.2% to 63,185.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments (included above) were also below year-earlier levels in both regions of the country, resulting in an over-all drop of 10.9% in the current week.

In the January 1 to February 14, 1979 period, rail freight tonnage was 1.1% above that of 1978 at 24.7 million t (27.2 million short tons).

Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic was down 1.5% from 1978.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Radio Broadcasting, November 1978 — Advance Information

Gross national AM and FM radio air-time sales were \$8.5 million in November, an increase of 13.3% from \$7.5 million in November 1977. Net national sales after deduction of agency and other commissions amounted to \$7.2 million, up 12.5% from \$6.4 million in the previous year.

Net local air-time sales were up 15.8% to \$19.8 million in November from \$17.1 million.

Gross radio air-time sales for January to November were \$291.5 million in 1978 compared to \$250.4 million in 1977, an increase of 16.4%. Net sales rose 16.1% to \$271.1 million from \$233.5 million.

For further information, order the November issue of *Radio Broadcasting* (56-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Leather Tanneries

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1720		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	28	29	3.6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,255	2,128	-5.6
Man-hours paid	000's	4,671	4,403	-5.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	23,904	23,653	-1.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,662	3,030	13.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	77,820	86,269	10.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	124,801	132,381	6.1
Value added	\$000	48,480	45,857	-5.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,613	2,457	-6.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	29,236	28,855	-1.3
Total value added	\$000	48,242	45,543	-5.6

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Leather Tanneries, 1977* (33-202, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Miscellaneous Leather Products Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1799		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	152	130	-14.5
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,155	3,555	-14.5
Man-hours paid	000's	8,454	7,269	-14.1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	29,855	28,040	-6.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	651	683	4.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	52,792	48,905	-7.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	110,155	106,921	-3.0
Value added	\$000	58,872	58,648	—
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	4,736	4,183	-11.7
Total salaries and wages	\$000	38,317	36,620	-4.5
Total value added	\$000	64,014	62,373	-2.6

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Leather Products Manufacturers, 1977* (33-205, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Furniture Re-upholstery and Repair Shops

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2611		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	610	576	-5.6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,264	2,105	-7.0
Man-hours paid	000's	4,693	4,391	-6.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	16,246	16,314	0.4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	—	—	—
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	28,294	28,384	0.3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	50,731	50,377	-0.7
Value added	\$000	2,911	2,924	0.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,264	2,105	-7.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	16,246	16,314	0.4
Total value added	\$000	2,911	2,924	0.4

For further information, contact Mr. G. W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Household Furniture Manufacturers, 1977* (35-211, 70¢).

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Steel Ingots, Week Ended February 24, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended February 24 was 337,272 short tons (305 968 t), an increase of 0.3% over the preceding week's total of 336,134 short tons (304 936 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 314,241 short tons (285 075 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 184.1 in the current week, 183.5 a week earlier and 171.5 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

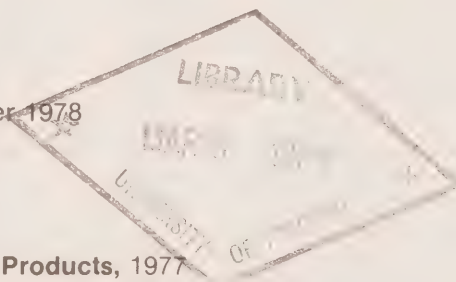
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1974 Input-Output Tables Available

The 1974 Input-Output Tables in Constant Prices are now complete and form part of the forthcoming publication, *The Input-Output Structure of the Canadian Economy in Constant Prices, 1961-74* (Catalogue 15-509, \$6).

Inquiries regarding pre-release of the data should be directed to A.B. McCormick (613-995-8261), Input-Output Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Construction Price Statistics, February 1979 (62-007, 40¢/\$4)

Footwear Statistics, December 1978 (33-002, 30¢/\$3)

Production of Eggs and Poultry, December 1978 (23-003, 30¢/\$3)

Production of Canada's Leading Minerals, December 1978 (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production and Sales of Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada, December 1978 (47-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Concrete Products, December 1978 (44-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Specified Chemicals, December 1978 (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Consumption, Production and Inventories of Rubber, December 1978 (33-003, 30¢/\$3)

Products Made from Canadian Clays, December 1978 (44-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Science Statistics (13-003, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 3, No. 1, Statistics on Technology Transfer Between Canadian and Foreign Firms (Part 2)

Real Domestic Product (Including the Index of Industrial Production), December 1978 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted index of real domestic product (1971=100) increased 0.5% to 136.0 in December from 135.3 in November. The index of industrial production was up 2.0% in December. Output of goods-producing industries rose 1.2%, while that of service-producing industries edged up 0.1%. Manufacturing industries provided the major contribution to the increase during the month.

For the fourth quarter of 1978, the index of real domestic product increased 1.0% to a level of 135.4 from 134.0 in the third quarter. The fourth quarter also marked the strongest quarterly growth rate for goods-producing industries in 1978, up 2.0%, while service-producing industries recorded the weakest growth rate to date in the year, up only 0.4%. The index of industrial production advanced 2.7% in the fourth quarter, the sharpest quarterly gain since the fourth quarter of 1973 (which was also up 2.7%).

The 1978 real domestic product index at a level of 133.3 increased 3.3% compared to a 3.1% gain in 1977. The 3.5% growth in goods-producing industries was somewhat stronger than the 3.2% increase recorded in service-producing industries. The index of industrial

production advanced 5.3% in 1978, with non-durable manufacturing increasing 8.5% and durable manufacturing up 6.2%.

For further information, order the December issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)* (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see tables on pages 3-8)

Urban Transit Statistics, 1977 — Advance Information Preliminary results of the 1977 urban transit survey show that total operating revenues, including subsidies, increased 10.8% from 1976 to \$742.8 million while operating expenses rose 10.8% to \$720.5 million. The number of carriers increased to 77 from 75.

For further information, contact S. Mozes (613-996-9271), Chief, Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1977	1978	% Change
Real Domestic Product	100.00	129.0	133.3	3.4
Agriculture	3.371	101.3	109.2	7.8
Forestry	.802	120.2	124.3	3.4
Fishing and Trapping	.178	88.8	104.8	18.1
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	114.3	104.4	-8.6
Manufacturing industries	22.753	124.8	134.1	7.4
Construction industry	6.990	119.8	112.2	-6.3
Transportation, storage and communication	9.050	136.7	141.8	3.7
Transportation	5.991	125.2	127.8	2.0
<i>Air transport and services incidental to air transport</i>				
<i>Railway transport</i>	.671	179.7	192.3	7.0
<i>Bus transport, interurban and rural</i>	1.815	118.3	119.4	1.0
<i>Urban transit systems</i>	.089	131.1	127.4	-2.8
<i>Pipeline transport</i>	.250	116.2	118.1	1.6
<i>Storage</i>	.486	124.6	119.9	-3.8
<i>Grain elevators</i>	.258	108.6	114.7	5.6
<i>Communication</i>	.177	96.4	101.5	5.3
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.801	163.7	174.1	6.4
Trade	2.658	148.7	157.1	5.7
Wholesale trade	11.561	134.9	139.7	3.5
<i>Wholesale merchants</i>	4.756	127.2	131.4	3.3
<i>Retail trade</i>	3.498	128.6	133.3	3.7
<i>Food stores</i>	6.805	140.3	145.4	3.6
<i>General merchandise stores</i>	1.299	114.6	113.6	-0.9
<i>Department stores</i>	1.413	144.4	149.6	3.6
<i>Other general merchandise stores</i>	.889	164.7	173.5	5.4
<i>Motor vehicle dealers</i>	.524	110.1	109.0	-1.0
<i>Clothing stores</i>	.811	153.7	161.9	5.3
<i>Hardware stores</i>	.434	127.3	134.1	5.3
<i>Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores</i>	.101	117.6	117.2	-0.4
<i>Drug stores</i>	.216	145.7	151.6	4.0
Finance, insurance and real estate	.301	167.3	177.8	6.2
Community, business and personal service industries	11.853	142.6	148.8	4.3
Education and related services	19.539	129.4	133.3	3.0
Health and welfare services	6.478	109.9	110.7	0.7
Amusement and recreation services	5.318	122.8	125.5	2.2
Services to business management	.536	172.4	170.8	-0.9
Personal services	2.373	175.4	186.4	6.3
Accommodation and food services	1.021	114.6	117.3	2.4
Public administration and defence	2.588	143.0	153.3	7.2
Special groupings:	7.425	124.4	125.5	0.9
Index of industrial production				
Real domestic product less agriculture	29.230	125.6	132.3	5.3
Goods-producing industries	96.629	130.0	134.2	3.3
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	40.572	122.3	126.6	3.5
Service-producing industries	37.201	124.2	128.2	3.2
Commercial industries	59.428	133.6	137.9	3.3
Commercial industries less agriculture	81.308	131.8	136.8	3.8
Non-commercial industries	77.937	133.1	138.0	3.7
Non-durable manufacturing industries	18.692	116.8	118.2	1.2
Durable manufacturing industries	11.324	122.6	133.4	8.8
	11.429	127.0	134.8	6.2

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1978				% Change
		1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	
Real Domestic Product	100.00	131.4	132.5	134.0	135.4	1.0
Agriculture	3.371	109.9	107.4	109.8	108.9	-0.9
Forestry	.802	116.3	119.8	114.8	143.6	25.1
Fishing and Trapping	.178	108.9	104.3	100.8	103.3	2.5
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	108.9	103.1	100.3	105.4	5.1
Manufacturing industries	22.753	128.6	132.7	135.9	139.2	2.5
Construction industry	6.990	112.3	115.6	111.6	109.0	-2.4
Transportation, storage and communication	9.050	139.8	140.0	143.5	143.9	0.3
Transportation	5.991	127.4	125.5	129.0	129.7	0.5
Air transport and services incidental to air transport	.671	188.4	195.8	193.6	190.6	-1.5
Railway transport	1.815	119.2	114.9	121.4	123.0	1.3
Bus transport, interurban and rural	.089	133.4	124.5	126.7	127.6	0.7
Urban transit systems	.250	117.3	117.8	119.3	119.2	-0.1
Pipeline transport	.486	122.0	118.5	115.5	123.3	6.8
Storage	.258	111.6	116.1	122.1	110.1	-9.9
Grain elevators	.177	97.0	105.0	112.1	93.3	-16.8
Communication	2.801	168.9	173.0	176.5	177.4	0.5
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.658	161.3	152.3	155.4	159.2	2.4
Trade	11.561	138.1	139.0	141.1	139.8	-0.9
Wholesale trade	4.756	129.5	131.4	132.5	131.6	-0.7
Wholesale merchants	3.498	131.5	133.4	134.5	132.9	-1.1
Retail trade	6.805	144.1	144.3	147.0	145.5	-1.1
Food stores	1.299	115.5	113.7	112.2	113.5	1.2
General merchandise stores	1.413	146.7	145.5	150.0	153.9	2.6
Department stores	.889	168.6	167.2	174.0	180.6	3.8
Other general merchandise stores	.524	109.6	108.7	109.1	108.7	-0.3
Motor vehicle dealers	.811	157.2	164.3	174.5	148.7	-14.8
Clothing stores	.434	131.3	131.0	138.7	134.5	-3.0
Hardware stores	.101	116.9	119.4	118.6	113.5	-4.3
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores	.216	147.8	156.4	155.7	146.5	-5.9
Drug stores	.301	170.8	173.7	179.6	185.8	3.5
Finance, insurance and real estate	11.853	145.9	147.5	149.7	152.2	1.6
Community, business and personal service industries	19.539	132.3	132.8	133.4	134.5	0.8
Education and related services	6.478	110.8	110.8	110.2	111.2	0.9
Health and welfare services	5.318	124.3	125.1	126.2	126.5	0.3
Amusement and recreation services	.536	175.4	168.8	169.5	169.8	0.2
Services to business management	2.373	181.3	184.2	187.4	190.6	1.7
Personal services	1.021	116.1	116.8	117.8	118.7	0.8
Accommodation and food services	2.588	152.1	152.9	153.7	155.0	0.9
Public administration and defence	7.425	125.1	125.8	126.2	125.0	-1.0
Special groupings:						
Index of industrial production	29.230	129.0	130.6	133.0	136.6	2.7
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	132.2	133.4	134.8	136.3	1.1
Goods-producing industries	40.572	124.2	125.8	126.9	129.5	2.0
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.201	125.5	127.5	128.4	131.4	2.3
Service-producing industries	59.428	136.4	137.2	138.8	139.3	0.4
Commercial industries	81.308	134.6	135.8	137.5	139.2	1.2
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.937	135.6	137.1	138.7	140.5	1.3
Non-commercial industries	18.692	117.6	118.2	118.5	118.5	—
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.324	129.0	131.4	135.0	138.0	2.2
Durable manufacturing industries	11.429	128.2	134.1	136.8	140.4	2.6

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1978				% Change
		Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	
Real Domestic Product	100.00	135.4	134.8	135.3	136.0	0.5
Agriculture	3.371	110.6	108.4	108.8	109.4	0.6
Forestry	.802	136.5	142.4	152.5	135.9	-10.9
Fishing and Trapping	.178	99.5	106.0	100.9	102.9	2.0
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	103.2	105.1	104.5	106.5	1.9
Manufacturing industries	22.753	138.6	137.9	138.5	141.3	2.0
Construction industry	6.990	110.4	110.4	108.9	107.6	-1.2
Transportation, storage and communication	9.050	144.1	142.0	144.0	145.7	1.2
Transportation	5.991	129.4	128.2	129.8	131.2	1.1
Air transport and services incidental to air transport	.671	185.7	186.9	193.9	191.0	-1.5
Railway transport	1.815	124.2	121.0	122.8	125.1	1.9
Bus transport, interurban and rural	.089	129.5	128.0	127.4	127.4	—
Urban transit systems	.250	120.9	117.8	117.2	122.5	4.5
Pipeline transport	.486	116.0	124.2	121.4	124.2	2.3
Storage	.258	122.0	108.8	107.5	113.9	6.0
Grain elevators	.177	110.5	91.1	89.9	98.8	9.9
Communication	2.801	177.5	174.6	177.9	179.8	1.1
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.658	159.7	157.8	158.5	161.2	1.7
Trade	11.561	143.4	139.5	140.1	139.8	-0.2
Wholesale trade	4.756	132.1	131.9	132.3	130.7	-1.2
Wholesale merchants	3.498	133.8	133.2	133.6	132.0	-1.2
Retail trade	6.805	151.3	144.8	145.5	146.1	0.4
Food stores	1.299	116.4	112.5	112.7	115.4	2.4
General merchandise stores	1.413	152.9	149.8	156.1	155.9	-0.1
Department stores	.889	177.9	174.7	183.8	183.2	-0.3
Other general merchandise stores	.524	110.4	107.7	109.0	109.5	0.5
Motor vehicle dealers	.811	191.2	157.8	144.7	143.6	-0.8
Clothing stores	.434	141.3	132.7	134.6	136.3	1.3
Hardware stores	.101	118.1	117.4	114.0	109.2	-4.2
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores	.216	161.0	151.5	141.7	146.2	3.2
Drug stores	.301	182.6	178.4	186.2	192.7	3.5
Finance, insurance and real estate	11.853	151.3	152.1	152.2	152.2	—
Community, business and personal service industries	19.539	133.8	134.3	134.6	134.7	0.1
Education and related services	6.478	109.9	110.8	111.8	111.0	-0.7
Health and welfare services	5.318	126.4	126.4	126.4	126.7	0.2
Amusement and recreation services	.536	170.4	170.3	169.6	169.6	—
Services to business management	2.373	188.8	190.2	190.4	191.2	0.4
Personal services	1.021	117.7	118.0	118.6	119.4	0.7
Accommodation and food services	2.588	154.9	155.3	154.3	155.5	0.8
Public administration and defence	7.425	125.3	124.8	125.2	124.9	-0.2
Special groupings:						
Index of industrial production	29.230	135.9	135.4	135.8	138.5	2.0
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	136.3	135.7	136.2	136.9	0.5
Goods-producing industries	40.572	129.2	128.8	129.1	130.6	1.2
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.201	130.9	130.7	131.0	132.5	1.1
Service-producing industries	59.428	139.6	138.9	139.4	139.6	0.1
Commercial industries	81.308	139.4	138.6	139.0	140.0	0.7
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.937	140.6	139.9	140.4	141.3	0.6
Non-commercial industries	18.692	118.1	118.2	118.8	118.5	-0.3
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.324	137.6	137.1	137.2	139.6	1.7
Durable manufacturing industries	11.429	139.6	138.6	139.8	142.9	2.2

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1977	1978	% Change
Index of Industrial Production	29.230	125.6	132.3	5.3
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	114.3	104.4	-8.6
Metal mines	1.584	109.4	87.0	-20.4
Mineral fuels	1.492	113.9	113.5	-0.4
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	129.9	122.7	-5.5
Manufacturing industries	22.753	124.8	134.1	7.4
Food and beverage industries	3.107	112.3	115.5	2.8
Tobacco products industries	.212	120.6	114.3	-5.2
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	165.0	203.4	23.3
Leather industries	.206	92.7	101.7	9.7
Textile industries	.769	117.6	128.5	9.3
Knitting mills	.205	112.6	133.6	18.7
Clothing industries	.742	116.6	128.3	10.0
Wood industries	.968	143.0	152.4	6.5
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	123.3	135.1	9.6
Paper and allied industries	1.841	117.6	130.8	11.2
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	127.6	137.8	8.0
Primary metal industries	1.976	116.7	124.4	6.6
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.957	115.9	122.4	5.6
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.001	133.0	149.5	12.4
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	138.6	146.7	5.8
Electrical products industries	1.631	118.5	121.3	2.4
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	133.4	140.1	5.0
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	133.7	136.0	1.7
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.362	134.1	150.1	11.9
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	129.7	138.9	7.1
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.658	148.7	157.1	5.7
Special industry groupings:				
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.324	122.6	133.4	8.8
Durable manufacturing industries	11.429	127.0	134.8	6.2

Other Bus Statistics, 1977 — Advance Information

Preliminary results of this survey indicate that there were 1,635 carriers whose major activity in 1977 was school bus, charter bus, sightseeing bus or limousine service to airports or stations. (This excludes intercity passenger bus and urban transit carriers.)

Total operating revenues for the industry increased 44.1% from 1976 to \$339.8 million while operating expenses rose 49% to \$308 million. The number of carriers increased to 1,635 from 1,333.

For further information, contact S. Mozes (613-996-9271), Chief, Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Intercity Passenger Bus Statistics, 1977 — Advance Information

Preliminary results of the 1977 passenger bus survey show that total operating revenues for the industry increased 9.2% from 1976 to \$205.5 million while operating expenses rose 9.8% to \$189.5 million. The number of carriers increased to 63 from 48.

For further information, contact S. Mozes (613-996-9271), Chief, Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Oil Pipeline Transport, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian oil pipe lines received 2,707,635 barrels daily (430 270 m3D) of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in December, down 4.0% from 2,820,100 B/D (448 142 m3D) a year earlier. Receipts of domestic petroleum and products decreased 1.4% to 2,454,084 B/D (389 978 m3D), while those of imported petroleum and products decreased 23.5% to 253,551 B/D (40 292 m3D).

For further information, order the December issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Sales of Cement, January 1979 — Advance Information

Advance information on sales of cement as reported by Canadian producers for the month of January 1979 is now available.

For details, contact Gordon McWade (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1st Qtr.	1978			% Change
		2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.		
Index of Industrial Production	29.230	129.0	130.6	133.0	136.6	2.7
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	108.9	103.1	100.3	105.4	5.1
Metal mines	1.584	101.4	85.1	76.5	84.8	10.8
Mineral fuels	1.492	111.7	112.0	112.8	117.9	4.5
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	118.6	123.8	127.4	121.6	-4.6
Manufacturing industries	22.753	128.6	132.7	135.9	139.2	2.5
Food and beverage industries	3.107	116.0	113.3	114.8	117.7	2.5
Tobacco products industries	.212	120.4	111.5	111.5	114.3	2.5
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	181.1	197.2	213.3	222.1	4.1
Leather industries	.206	96.3	103.1	101.7	105.7	3.9
Textile industries	.769	122.9	126.1	128.4	136.6	6.4
Knitting mills	.205	125.9	129.6	135.6	143.2	5.6
Clothing industries	.742	121.5	123.6	131.6	136.8	4.0
Wood industries	.968	142.6	148.8	156.4	161.9	3.5
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	127.0	132.6	134.6	146.0	8.5
Paper and allied industries	1.841	126.6	132.4	132.5	131.2	-1.0
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	135.6	137.7	138.0	139.5	1.0
Primary metal industries	1.976	122.2	126.8	121.8	127.1	4.3
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.957	116.4	122.5	124.6	126.3	1.4
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.001	138.9	144.7	155.0	159.6	3.0
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	137.2	146.3	151.0	152.6	1.1
Electrical products industries	1.631	117.1	121.2	121.4	125.5	3.4
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	134.3	136.8	143.5	145.6	1.4
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	131.8	128.5	140.1	144.0	2.8
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.362	143.0	147.0	154.4	156.1	1.1
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	132.7	138.0	140.3	144.6	3.0
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.658	161.3	152.3	155.4	159.2	2.4
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.324	129.0	131.4	135.0	138.0	2.2
Durable manufacturing industries	11.429	128.2	134.1	136.8	140.4	2.6

The Dairy Review, December 1978 — Advance Information

An estimated 1,221,426,000 pounds of milk were produced for all purposes in December, up 2.1% from the December 1977 figure.

Milk production for the year 1978 totalled an estimated 16,787,975,000 pounds, a decrease of 1.7% from the January-December 1977 total.

For further information, order the January 1979 issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-995-4858), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile, January 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 3,593 short tons (3 260 t) or 7,050,960 square feet (655 056 m²) of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in January compared to 3,842 short tons (3 485 t) or 7,941,051 square feet (737 748 m²) in January 1978.

For further information, order the January issue of *Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles* (47-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Tobacco and Tobacco Products, December 1978 — Advance Information

Stocks of unmanufactured tobacco (domestic and imported) at December 31, 1978 amounted to 121,351 short tons (110 088 t) compared to 116,253 short tons (105 463 t) held on the same date in 1977.

For further information, order the fourth quarter issue of *Tobacco and Tobacco Products Statistics* (32-014, 70¢/\$2.80), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1978				% Change
		Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	
Index of Industrial Production	29.230	135.9	135.4	135.8	138.5	2.0
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	103.2	105.1	104.5	106.5	1.9
Metal mines	1.584	82.4	88.9	80.5	85.0	5.6
Mineral fuels	1.492	113.5	113.7	120.3	119.6	-0.6
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	129.3	118.5	122.3	124.0	1.4
Manufacturing industries	22.753	138.6	137.9	138.5	141.3	2.0
Food and beverage industries	3.107	117.8	116.8	117.7	118.5	0.7
Tobacco products industries	.212	119.0	115.2	111.6	116.1	4.0
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	216.9	216.5	221.0	228.7	3.5
Leather industries	.206	103.8	104.0	104.9	108.2	3.1
Textile industries	.769	129.6	135.9	136.5	137.4	0.7
Knitting mills	.205	138.2	142.9	140.2	146.4	4.4
Clothing industries	.742	135.4	133.4	137.3	139.8	1.8
Wood industries	.968	161.0	162.5	162.1	161.1	-0.6
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	141.0	147.7	144.7	145.6	0.6
Paper and allied industries	1.841	132.2	130.6	129.4	133.5	3.2
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	141.7	141.4	137.6	139.4	1.3
Primary metal industries	1.976	122.1	125.3	127.2	128.7	1.2
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.957	125.0	125.0	125.4	128.5	2.5
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.001	159.1	159.3	159.8	159.8	—
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	156.7	148.2	152.3	157.3	3.3
Electrical products industries	1.631	123.1	123.5	124.8	128.3	2.8
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	145.3	144.4	141.1	151.3	7.2
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	142.3	145.9	142.2	144.0	1.3
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.362	156.6	154.0	156.3	158.0	1.1
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	145.9	145.5	142.2	146.0	2.7
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.658	159.7	157.8	158.5	161.2	1.7
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.324	137.6	137.1	137.2	139.6	1.7
Durable manufacturing industries	11.429	139.6	138.6	139.8	142.9	2.2

New Housing Price Indexes

(1976=100)

		% change				
	Weights	January 1979	December 1978	January 1978	Jan./79 Dec./78	Jan./79 Jan./78
St. John's	1.0	102.9	101.7	101.7	1.2	1.2
Halifax	1.7	102.3	102.3	102.2	—	0.1
Quebec	3.6	124.8	124.2	114.9	0.5	8.6
Montreal	9.5	109.2	109.2	106.6	—	2.4
Ottawa-Hull	5.7	101.8	101.5	102.6	0.3	-0.8
Toronto	21.2	98.6	99.9	99.7	-1.3	-1.1
Hamilton	4.2	103.6	103.6	104.0	—	-0.4
St. Catharines-Niagara	2.3	114.6	114.6	112.4	—	2.0
Kitchener	2.9	102.9	102.9	102.0	—	0.9
London	2.4	111.1	111.1	108.3	—	2.6
Windsor	1.0	126.4	123.1	110.8	2.7	14.1
Thunder Bay	0.9	117.8	117.8	113.1	—	4.2
Winnipeg	3.7	110.2	110.2	107.2	—	2.8
Regina	2.3	99.7	99.7	97.4	—	2.4
Saskatoon	1.9	115.5	115.5	111.9	—	3.2
Calgary	9.9	119.6	119.6	107.9	—	10.8
Edmonton	9.8	119.0	119.0	108.8	—	9.4
Vancouver	10.6	97.6	97.6	97.1	—	0.5
Victoria	1.9	95.2	95.2	96.0	—	-0.8
Canada Composite (22 cities)	100.0*	107.4	107.6	104.0	-0.2	3.3

* Surveys in New Brunswick, Sudbury and Prince George account for the remaining weight.

For further details on the changes in these indexes, contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Railroad Rolling Stock Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3260		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	17	16	-5.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	6,164	4,345	-29.5
Man-hours paid	000's	13,007	9,335	-28.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	82,787	66,024	-20.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	8,632	8,330	-3.5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	274,689	240,253	-12.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	496,975	435,062	-12.5
Value added	\$000	213,654	186,478	-12.7
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	8,626	6,557	-24.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	122,723	103,900	-15.3
Total value added	\$000	271,913	209,969	-22.8

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Railroad Rolling Stock Industry*, 1977 (42-211, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Household Radio and Television Receivers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3340		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	19	16	-15.8
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	3,372	1,657	-50.9
Man-hours paid	000's	6,818	3,322	-51.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	30,487	16,635	-45.4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	884	515	-41.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	166,268	81,276	-51.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	253,622	165,614	-34.7
Value added	\$000	94,331	74,810	-20.7
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	6,347	3,382	-46.7
Total salaries and wages	\$000	70,689	45,031	-36.3
Total value added	\$000	111,512	83,466	-25.2

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Household Radio and Television Receivers*, 1977 (43-205, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Office and Store Machinery Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3180		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	47	41	-12.8
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,536	3,969	-12.5
Man-hours paid	000's	9,433	8,236	-12.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	53,912	51,232	-5.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,060	3,028	-1.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	255,809	265,789	3.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	412,017	47,443	1.3
Value added	\$000	153,472	151,964	-1.0
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	9,758	10,169	4.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	129,870	146,809	13.1
Total value added	\$000	253,329	231,420	-8.6

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Office and Store Machinery Manufacturers*, 1977 (42-216, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Aircraft and Aircraft Parts Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3210		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	103	101	-2.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	12,926	14,257	10.3
Man-hours paid	000's	27,517	30,969	12.5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	151,858	191,215	25.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	7,725	9,086	17.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	262,085	302,143	15.3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	724,352	816,055	12.7
Value added	\$000	454,543	504,826	11.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	21,215	22,382	5.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	281,875	328,278	16.5
Total value added	\$000	467,532	520,937	11.4

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Aircraft and Aircraft Parts Manufacturers, 1977* (42-203, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Lime Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3580		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	15	16	7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	619	645	4
Man-hours paid	000's	1,284	1,360	6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	7,693	9,249	20
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	16,474	18,348	11
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	7,348	7,872	7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	53,798	62,532	16
Value added	\$000	30,012	36,396	21
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	804	828	3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	10,645	12,359	16
Total value added	\$000	30,041	36,562	22

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Lime Manufacturers, 1977* (44-209, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Refractories Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3591		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	16	13	-19
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	796	585	-27
Man-hours paid	000's	1,594	1,247	-22
Manufacturing wages	\$000	11,547	8,121	-30
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,961	4,853	23
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	29,982	37,651	26
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	66,183	71,537	8
Value added	\$000	34,292	27,080	-21
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,330	1,134	-15
Total salaries and wages	\$000	19,002	16,177	-15
Total value added	\$000	44,393	32,544	-27

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Refractories Manufacturers, 1977* (44-214, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Battery Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3391		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	30	30	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,039	1,972	-3.3
Man-hours paid	000's	4,274	4,023	-5.9
Manufacturing wages	\$000	21,631	22,672	4.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,926	2,575	33.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	66,502	78,405	17.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	126,075	144,962	15.0
Value added	\$000	57,784	70,230	21.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,969	2,967	-0.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	34,543	37,237	7.8
Total value added	\$000	74,402	86,934	16.8

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Battery Manufacturers, 1977* (43-208, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Miscellaneous Electrical Products

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3399		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	110	100	-9.1
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	8,116	7,492	-7.7
Man-hours paid	000's	16,804	14,342	-14.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	74,848	72,873	-2.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	4,309	4,938	14.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	155,632	151,107	-2.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	339,896	340,896	0.3
Value added	\$000	185,611	190,874	2.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	10,365	9,619	-7.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	106,997	104,645	-2.2
Total value added	\$000	201,422	200,140	-0.6

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Miscellaneous Electrical Products, 1977* (43-210, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Leather Glove Factories

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 175		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	37	31	-16.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,083	910	-16.0
Man-hours paid	000's	2,188	1,884	-13.9
Manufacturing wages	\$000	8,495	7,910	-6.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	151	136	-10.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	12,528	10,747	-14.2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	26,876	24,508	-8.8
Value added	\$000	14,611	14,320	-2.0
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,286	1,093	-15.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	11,324	10,375	-8.4
Total value added	\$000	16,858	16,894	0.2

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Clothing Industries, 1977* (34-218, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Stone Products Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3530		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	89	85	-4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	807	755	-6
Man-hours paid	000's	1,673	1,587	-5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	7,394	8,070	9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	734	759	3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	11,156	11,132	—
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	27,847	30,888	11
Value added	\$000	16,373	19,831	21
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	988	934	-5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	9,950	10,804	9
Total value added	\$000	16,282	19,568	20

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Stone Products Manufacturers, 1977* (44-213, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Abrasives Manufacturers

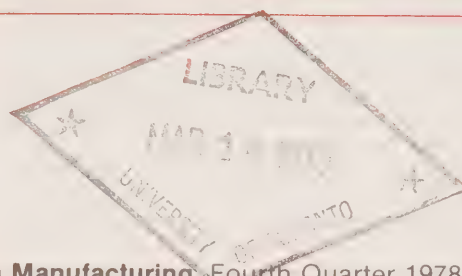
1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3570		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	22	20	-9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,935	1,966	2
Man-hours paid	000's	4,062	4,131	2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	22,913	25,895	13
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	13,016	16,993	31
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	63,150	69,301	10
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	130,891	149,989	15
Value added	\$000	55,950	64,415	15
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,535	2,567	1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	31,063	35,359	14
Total value added	\$000	55,076	64,111	16

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Abrasives Manufacturers, 1977* (44-202, 70¢).

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Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, December 1978 (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50)**Production and Shipments of Plastic Bottles, Quarter Ended December 31, 1978 (47-006, 35¢/\$1.40)****Capacity Utilization Rates in Canadian Manufacturing, Fourth Quarter 1978 — Advance Information**

Capacity utilization in Canadian manufacturing industries rose to 89.2% in the fourth quarter of 1978 from 87.5% in the third quarter.

Durable manufacturing reached a level of 86.9% of capacity, up from 85.2% in the third quarter of 1978. Non-durable manufacturing increased to 91.5% from 89.9% in the preceding quarter.

Industries achieving 100% of capacity utilization in the latest quarter were: "Textiles", "Knitting Mills", "Clothing", and "Miscellaneous Manufacturing".

Data users should note that these estimates are subject to revision when the new investment data from the Private and Public Investment Survey are incorporated into the capital stocks series.

For further information, contact Ms. R. Hoyt (613-995-8152), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. Capacity utilization data are available on CANSIM, from the first quarter of 1961 to the fourth quarter of 1978, by major manufacturing group according to the 1970 Standard Industrial Classification, with aggregates for durables, non-durables and total manufacturing.

A description of the methodology used to derive the rates is provided in the publication *Capacity Utilization Rates in Canadian Manufacturing* (31-003, \$1.40/\$5.60).

Capacity Utilization Rates by Quarters

	Durable Manufacturing Industries	Non-durable Manufacturing Industries	Total Manufacturing Industries
1961			
I	65.0	81.9	73.4
II	67.0	82.4	74.7
III	68.3	84.0	76.1
IV	70.1	84.6	77.3
1962			
I	71.1	85.0	78.0
II	73.9	85.9	79.9
III	75.3	86.1	80.7
IV	76.0	85.1	80.6
1963			
I	76.4	85.6	81.0
II	77.6	86.7	82.1
III	77.6	86.8	82.2
IV	81.4	87.5	84.4
1964			
I	83.8	89.2	86.5
II	83.6	89.4	86.5
III	84.0	89.0	86.5
IV	85.5	89.9	87.7
1965			
I	88.3	89.0	88.6
II	89.7	88.4	89.0
III	89.3	89.4	89.3
IV	92.8	90.3	91.6
1966			
I	93.1	90.8	92.0
II	91.0	90.3	90.6
III	88.7	89.2	88.9
IV	89.1	88.8	88.9

	Durable Manufacturing Industries	Non-durable Manufacturing Industries	Total Manufacturing Industries
1967			
I	87.1	87.9	87.5
II	85.7	87.3	86.5
III	85.5	87.9	86.6
IV	84.8	86.8	85.8
1968			
I	82.4	87.1	84.8
II	86.2	87.2	86.7
III	87.9	86.0	86.9
IV	89.5	88.0	88.8
1969			
I	90.1	89.1	89.6
II	90.1	88.8	89.4
III	88.3	89.4	88.9
IV	86.7	88.3	87.5
1970			
I	85.8	87.7	86.8
II	82.1	86.0	84.0
III	80.6	84.7	82.6
IV	76.9	85.7	81.3
1971			
I	79.3	84.3	81.8
II	81.7	85.3	83.5
III	84.5	87.3	85.9
IV	84.6	87.4	86.0
1972			
I	83.5	86.8	85.1
II	84.1	89.2	86.6
III	85.0	89.4	87.2
IV	87.5	90.8	89.1
1973			
I	91.5	91.3	91.4
II	90.4	91.7	91.1
III	90.0	89.7	89.9
IV	91.7	92.0	91.8
1974			
I	93.8	92.8	93.3
II	91.4	91.0	91.2
III	89.4	88.5	88.9
IV	86.3	86.0	86.1
1975			
I	79.9	83.4	81.6
II	79.6	82.7	81.2
III	81.0	81.8	81.4
IV	81.6	81.0	81.3
1976			
I	81.6	83.4	82.5
II	82.7	85.4	84.0
III	80.9	84.4	82.7
IV	79.8	83.5	81.6
1977			
I	81.4	84.9	83.1
II	81.4	84.4	82.9
III	81.4	84.2	82.8
IV	82.1	84.9	83.5
1978			
I	80.8	87.3	84.1
II	84.1	88.2	86.1
III	85.2	89.9	87.5
IV	86.9	91.5	89.2

Preliminary Report on Job Vacancies, Three Months Ended January 31, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of the average number of jobs vacant on a daily basis during the three-month period ended January 31 was 41,400*, a decrease of 19% from the previous three-month period. Compared with the three-month period ending January 31, 1978, the number of vacancies increased 4,500 or 12%.

In the latest three-month period vacancies for full-time jobs decreased by 17% to 37,400. Longer-term vacancies (jobs unfilled for more than four weeks) decreased by 6%.

For every 1,000 existing jobs in the latest three-month period five were vacant, a decrease of one from the preceding period; there was an increase of one from the comparable period a year earlier. The highest vacancy rates were observed in Alberta (nine per 1,000) and Manitoba (six per 1,000) while the lowest rate (three per 1,000) occurred in the Atlantic Provinces.

* The Job Vacancy Survey provides an estimate of the average number of vacancies available on any given day in a three-month period. The estimate of this three-month average is derived from six observations taken at regular intervals. Consequently, the survey does not cover those vacancies which occur and are filled between individual observations. In addition, the survey does not cover openings in agriculture, fishing, hunting, trapping and households. The data derived from the Job Vacancy Survey, taken over time, are consistent and reliable indicators of trends in job openings.

For detailed definitions and design of the survey, see Canadian Job Vacancy Survey, Technical Appendix, 1972 (71-521, 50¢).

Data users should note that this marks the final release of job vacancy data as the survey has been discontinued due to budgetary restraints previously announced.

Vacancy Rates for Part-time and Full-time Jobs Canada and Provinces

	Three-month Periods Ending		
	Jan. 1979	Oct. 1978	Jan. 1978
	(Rates per 1,000 jobs)		
Canada*	5	6	4
Atlantic Provinces**	3	4	3
Newfoundland	3	3	3
Nova Scotia	3	5	3
New Brunswick	3	4	3
Quebec	4	5	4
Ontario	5	6	4
Manitoba	6	6	5
Saskatchewan	4	6	4
Alberta	9	11	9
British Columbia	4	4	4

* Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories.

** Includes Prince Edward Island.

For further information, contact Mr. J.A. Boucek (613-992-2006), or Ms. M. Beaubien (613-996-7148), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Gross National Product, Fourth Quarter 1978

Gross National Product, seasonally adjusted at annual rates, increased 1.8% in the fourth quarter of 1978. In volume terms this represents a gain of 0.5%, as the rate of increase in the implicit price index for GNE slowed to 1.3%.

The fourth quarter advance in real GNP was reduced by an exceptionally large increase in dividends paid to non-residents. Excluding international transactions in investment income, the increase in the volume of output on a domestic basis was about 1%.

The fourth quarter increase in real output was largely confined to a sharp \$1.5 billion additional accumulation of business non-farm inventories and substantial growth in the volume of merchandise exports, as all of the components of final domestic demand weakened. In particular, real personal expenditure on goods and services fell due to a large decline in purchases of durable goods, while gross fixed capital formation and government current expenditure were virtually unchanged from their third quarter level.

The combination of strong import growth in select areas and the weak final domestic demand for goods helped to increase the rate of real non-farm business accumulation to \$1.8 billion in the fourth quarter. This accumulation was concentrated in a small number of commodities. The largest accumulations were at the retail level and in the durable goods sectors within wholesale trade and manufacturing. The softening of personal expenditure on goods, particularly for automobiles, was reflected in a sharp increase in the stock of motor vehicles held at the retail level and followed a decumulation of motor vehicles in the first three quarters of 1978. Moderate accumulation of stocks was evident for most other sectors at the retail level. Inventories of motor vehicles were also substantially higher at the manufacturing level; along with a further accumulation of aircraft inventories, the increase in stocks held by the transportation equipment industry accounted for almost all of the rise in inventories at the manufacturing level.

Inventory accumulation has been generally weak since 1974, and together with the relatively low stock-to-sales ratios in the third quarter, this suggests that businesses may have intentionally maintained production in order to rebuild their inventories; however, in the motor vehicle industry, the pervasive accumulation, the steep drop in domestic demand, a weakening of external demand, and the recent layoffs announced by the auto industry all suggest there was also an important element of involuntary stockbuilding in the accumulation of motor vehicle inventories in the fourth quarter.

The 0.3% decline in the volume of personal expenditure on goods and services was accompanied by some substantial shifts in its composition. While in the three previous quarters purchases of durable and semi-durable goods were the major sources of a gradual expansion in consumer demand, spending on durable goods fell 5.5% in the fourth quarter and the growth of consumption of non-durable goods was strong relative to semi-durable goods. The decline in expenditure on durables, and in particular the precipitous

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18.4% fall in purchases of automobiles, are largely attributable to the ending of the temporary sales tax rate reductions in many provinces early in October. These movements reflect the fact that such programs often have more effect on the timing of purchases than on the longer-term level of expenditure; since consumer holdings of durable goods are raised by the higher expenditure levels during the tax reduction period, new purchases are often lower than they otherwise might have been in subsequent periods.

Besides automobiles, declines within other durable goods were recorded for furniture and most household appliances, while spending on goods related to sporting and recreational equipment increased. Purchases of semi-durables advanced a moderate 0.7% in volume, as the rate of increase in expenditure on clothing slowed considerably. The implicit price indices for both durable and semi-durable goods continued to accelerate in the fourth quarter, rising 3.3% and 3.1%, respectively. While part of this acceleration was due to the re-imposition of higher sales tax rates in some provinces, the rate of price increases in the last two quarters for these goods has been unusually large relative to their generally moderate behavior in previous quarters. Price increases were fairly widespread within these sectors, with continued rising prices for automobiles, clothing, and footwear of particular importance.

Consumption of non-durable goods expanded 1.5% in real terms after displaying a considerable amount of weakness in the three previous quarters. Purchases of food increased as the rate of inflation for food eased in the fourth quarter, while additional strength was evident in expenditure on energy and gasoline. Expenditure on services rose 0.5%.

The deficit on trade in goods and services widened by \$1.7 billion in the fourth quarter. A substantial amount of this deterioration was related to the 72.1% increase in dividends paid to non-residents, as the merchandise trade surplus improved moderately. Payments of dividends were irregularly high as many companies availed themselves of the opportunity to distribute to their shareholders tax-paid surplus accumulated prior to 1972. The fourth quarter of 1978 was the last period in which such payments could be made without being subject to withholding taxes.

The merchandise trade account surplus exhibited a slight improvement in the fourth quarter, as there were large increases in both exports and imports. The increase in merchandise imports appears unusually large given the continued weakness of final domestic demand in Canada. Much of the rise in imports, however, originated in large increases in coal, crude petroleum, gold, machinery and equipment and aircraft. Some exceptional factors, such as a desire to stockpile oil before prices were raised and exports from Iran cut off completely, may have been involved in these increases. Imports of passenger cars diminished as domestic demand fell considerably.

The improvement in export growth following a poor third quarter was due to a sharp increase in truck exports together with substantial advances for motor vehicle parts, woodpulp and aluminum. The continued strength of construction activity in the United States was evident in higher exports of lumber and other construction materials. Within exports of agricultural goods there was a sharp advance in meat and fish

products, while wheat and barley shipments were curtailed by further problems in the distribution of grains. Mineral exports advanced slowly as a continued recovery for iron ore, and the first increase in the volume of crude oil exports in over three years were almost offset by further weakness for copper and nickel.

Sharply higher prices for most wood and paper exports and a further recovery in the price of copper, wheat, and other crude and fabricated materials contributed to the 2.8% rise in merchandise export prices. The increased weight of higher-priced coal, oil, and non-ferrous metal products in imports helped to raise the implicit price index for merchandise imports 3.9%. Most end products, particularly machinery and equipment and motor vehicle parts, also recorded higher prices this quarter. With import prices rising slightly faster than export prices, the terms of trade declined and helped contribute to a \$320 million increase in real net exports of merchandise.

The recovery of business gross fixed capital formation evident in the two previous quarters slowed considerably in the fourth quarter, as there was virtually no increase in volume terms. Residential construction continued to be the major source of weakness, as real activity in this sector fell a further 3.3% following numerous declines during the previous two years. A large decline in the construction of apartments together with continued reductions in the construction of other multiples outweighed a slight increase in the work-put-in-place for single homes. The volume of investment in machinery and equipment continued to recover from the trough reached early in 1978. The 3.2% advance raised the level of investment in this sector above the previous peak attained in the first quarter of 1977. Along with a continued decline in non-residential construction activity, down 1.5% this quarter, the volume of business investment in plant and equipment rose 1.1% and is now 5.7% above the level of a year earlier.

Despite a slowdown in employment growth in the fourth quarter, wages, salaries, and supplementary labour income grew 2.7%, the highest quarterly growth rate in over a year. Higher average earnings, perhaps beginning to reflect the recent upturn in negotiated wage rate settlements, contributed most of the improvement in labour income. Growth was more pronounced in the service-producing sector as all service industries displayed further increases of over 2.0%. Wage and salary growth of 2.1% in the goods-producing sector was restrained by weakness in the mining and construction industries as wages and salaries in the manufacturing industry increased by 2.8%. There was a slight curtailment of strike activity this quarter.

Corporation profits before taxes grew 8.7%, and are now 24.0% above the level of a year earlier. Most of the increase was in the manufacturing industries, particularly in transportation equipment, paper and primary metals. The inventory valuation adjustment increased substantially this quarter as a result of fairly widespread price increases, most notably higher prices for food, primary metals, wood and paper products. The weak levels of net income of non-farm unincorporated

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business income, interest and miscellaneous investment income, and the sharp increases in dividends paid to non-residents and the inventory valuation adjustment helped to slow the growth of net national income at factor cost to 1.3%.

Personal income grew 2.9%, but a 5.1% increase in direct taxes helped reduce the advance in personal disposable income to 2.5%. Together with a 1.9% increase in personal expenditure on goods and services, the personal savings rate rose to 10.4% from 9.9% in the previous quarter.

Total revenue of all levels of government combined (excluding intergovernmental transfers) increased by 3.9% after a 2.3% growth in the third quarter. The biggest contributor to this fourth quarter rise was personal direct taxes which increased by 5.1%. Total expenditure grew by 2.2% in the fourth quarter after a 1.6% rise in the third quarter. Increases in expenditure occurred at all levels of government. Current expenditure on goods and services grew by 1.9% with particular strength at the provincial and hospital levels. With the increase in total revenue exceeding that of total expenditure, the deficit of the government (on a national accounts basis) declined from \$7.6 billion in the third quarter to \$6.2 billion in the fourth quarter.

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Gross National Product increased 10.3% to a level of \$231.8 billion in 1978. Prices of Canadian produced goods and services, as measured by the implicit price index for GNE, rose at about the same rate as in 1977, while real output accelerated slightly to an increase of 3.4% from 2.7% in 1977.

As in the previous year, external influences dominated economic developments in Canada in 1978. While real final domestic demand increased only 2.1%, real exports were up 8.5%; this increase accounted for about half of the total increase in the volume of output, and had a positive effect on profits and employment in export-oriented industries. The over-all contribution of the foreign sector to real growth was reduced somewhat by a 4.1% increase in the volume of imports, which rose as a proportion of real GNP despite an increase of 12.7% in import prices.

The decline in the international value of the Canadian dollar was partially responsible for the rise in import prices and for a fairly substantial increase in the Canadian dollar prices of exports which are priced in world markets. The dollar weakened throughout 1978, falling by 6.8% against its American counterpart and 9.5% against a trade-weighted index of 10 major currencies. The net effect of the resulting price movements was a decline in the terms of trade — that is, the ratio of export to import prices — to 1.03 from 1.07 in the previous year. The deterioration in the terms of trade more than offset the improvement in real net exports, and the current dollar balance of trade in goods and services worsened by about \$0.7 billion. The current dollar balance translates into a substantial increase in real external debt and this may have acted to restrain domestic expenditure. Thus, in effect, the gain in production and employment resulting from the decline in the dollar may have been obtained partly at the expense of lower domestic expenditure.

The implicit price index for GNE increased 6.7% in 1978. The combination of higher prices for imports and continued inflation for domestically produced goods and services was reflected in a slight increase in the

rate of price increases for almost all sectors of demand in GNE. The continued decline in the international value of the Canadian dollar, higher food prices, in part due to poor crops in the U.S. and reduced livestock production, and the weak growth of output per person employed in the Canadian economy all contributed to these continued high rates of inflation.

The importance of external influences on the economy was also reflected in the movements in factor incomes that occurred in 1978. Corporate profits before taxes rose 16.7%, an increase that raised the share of profits in net national income from 13.6% in 1977 to 14.4% in 1978. This is about the average of the past 10 years. The increase in profits occurred despite a deceleration in output per person employed, a phenomenon which typically accompanies the maturation of the business cycle. Profit growth was particularly evident in export-oriented industries such as wood, paper, machinery, and metal fabricating, and at least part of these profit increases can be attributed to gains arising from the devaluation of the Canadian dollar, which increases the Canadian dollar price of commodities that are priced in world markets.

While employment gains were strong in 1978, a slowdown in the increase of average weekly earnings helped to reduce the rate of growth of labour income. Prices of consumer goods and services, as measured by the implicit price index for personal expenditure, rose more quickly than average earnings.

Real personal expenditure on goods and services increased only moderately in 1978, despite the stimulus of direct tax cuts early in the year and indirect tax cuts later in the year. Personal expenditure was restrained throughout the year by price and interest rate increases. These increases served not only to squeeze the real income of consumers, but supported a continuing high rate of personal savings to minimize the effects of inflation on the real value of financial assets.

Movements in relative prices, particularly for durable and semi-durable goods when compared to the price of non-durable goods and services, dominated the movements within personal expenditure. The lower sales tax rates in most provinces for at least six months of the year had a large effect on reducing the price of most taxable goods relative to other goods and services. Together with the relatively rapid price increases for non-durables and services, particularly food and energy, consumers were induced to purchase durable and semi-durable goods at the expense of other goods and services.

The volume of personal expenditure on durables rose 4.1%, in large part because of increased sales of most household appliances, furniture, sporting and recreational equipment. A 9.1% increase in the price of new and used cars and the sharp drop in fourth quarter sales helped reduce new car purchases marginally in 1978 despite the strength evident earlier in the year. Semi-durable purchases advanced 5.2% following a very weak performance in 1977, as expenditure on most components (clothing, footwear, books and jewellery) rose strongly. Non-durable consumption recorded only a 0.8% increase in real terms. Food

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consumption at home was the major source of weakness within non-durables, declining 3.4% in volume as food prices jumped 17.2%. A decline in the supply of meat and poor fruit and vegetable crops in the U.S. compounded by the decline in the value of the Canadian dollar helped to spur food price rises. Electricity, gasoline, and drugs consumption were the only areas in non-durables recording significant increases. Consumption of services rose 3.7% in real terms, as sharply higher expenditure on telephone services, air transportation, and restaurants and hotels was partly offset by a large decline in net travel expenditure abroad.

Gross fixed capital formation remained the major restraining influence in 1978, with the volume of investment virtually unchanged from 1977. Residential construction was again the major source of weakness, as declining housing starts through most of 1978 and a very strong price increase of 9.5% due to a sharp increase in wood prices, reduced real activity in this sector by 4.8%. The high level of unoccupied newly-completed dwellings in 1977 and 1978 reflects the large inventory of unsold houses and weak household demand that developers have repeatedly cited as a major deterrent to new construction. There were large declines in the construction of single homes and row housing.

Non-residential construction was weak throughout the year, resulting in a real increase of 2.4% in 1978; severe weather conditions early in the year, and a considerable amount of strike activity in the construction industry afterwards contributed to the sluggish performance. The implicit price index declined noticeably from the rate evident in previous years.

Business investment in machinery and equipment in current dollars rose over 11% in 1978. The heavy reliance of this sector on imports partly explains the very rapid 11.0% rise in the implicit price index, leaving investment in machinery and equipment virtually unchanged in real terms.

Non-farm business inventory accumulation accounted for most of the \$0.6 billion swing in the constant dollar value of physical change in inventories in 1978. Stockbuilding was particularly evident for durable goods at the manufacturing and wholesale levels in those industries where there was substantial growth in exports and imports, respectively. Within durable manufacturing, most of the accumulation occurred in the transportation equipment industry, especially aircraft, along with smaller additions to stocks in electrical products and machinery industries. Industrial and transportation equipment, at the wholesale level, where imports were very strong, accounted for more than half of the increase in wholesale durables.

Despite the large fourth quarter accumulation, for 1978 as a whole motor vehicle inventories were reduced at the retail level. This largely explains the weak stockbuilding in the total retail sector. The major sources of inventory liquidation were manufacturing non-durables, notably in paper and allied products, and the mining and forestry industries. In terms of stages of production, there was a noticeable increase in the relative level of stocks of raw materials in 1978. Holdings of raw materials had not risen substantially since the large inventory accumulation related to the surge in commodity prices in 1973 and 1974. There was an increase in the rate of accumulation of goods-

in-process, while stockbuilding of finished goods slowed.

Unusual circumstances on a quarter-to-quarter basis, particularly related to strikes and the stockpiling of goods in both Canada and the U.S., obscured the underlying trend in exports and imports; on an annual basis, the 17.4% increase in merchandise exports was concentrated in continued healthy American demand for investment-related materials, particularly in construction, as well as paper and automotive products. These three sectors contributed well over \$4 billion to the increase in exports. Exports of newsprint, lumber, most other paper products, and aluminum continued their rapid advances of 1977. Machinery and equipment industries recorded export growth of about 30%, while the gain in automotive products was particularly evident for trucks and motor vehicle parts and accessories. The rapid rise of industrial production in the U.S. and the continued decline in the international value of the Canadian dollar also contributed to the rapid export growth.

The level of export prices continued to accelerate in 1978, as the implicit price index advanced 8.3%. Price increases of about 8% for most end products, together with sharply higher prices for paper and wood products, notably lumber, and most fabricated iron and steel products contributed to this acceleration. The prices of copper, nickel and zinc were all weak in 1978 as demand slackened for most of these goods.

The 17.3% growth in current dollar merchandise imports in 1978 represents some strengthening in real terms after allowing for a 12.7% rise in import prices. Imports of goods related to machinery and equipment and motor vehicles including parts accounted for most of the rise in imports. Most of this growth became evident in the second quarter, when domestic demand for machinery and equipment and motor vehicles rose sharply. Fabricated metal products, particularly related to iron and steel, also exhibited some strength in 1978, while oil and metal ore imports were high in the latter part of the year. Most of the current dollar increases in food products represented higher prices, especially for fruits, vegetables, and beverages. On a geographical basis, despite the greater devaluation of the Canadian dollar against most European currencies relative to the American dollar, import growth was stronger from European nations than from the U.S. while the obverse was true for exports. These relative movements in trade suggest that real demand forces have had a greater impact on exports and imports than relative price movements, and the full benefits of a lower Canadian dollar in terms of increased competitiveness for exports and import-substitution have not yet been realized.

The non-merchandise trade account deficit increased in 1978, but the rate of increase has slowed since 1976. A decline in the net travel expenditure abroad, related to the sharply higher cost of travel abroad following the devaluation of the Canadian dollar, and a slowdown in the rate of growth of interest and dividends paid abroad were the major contributing factors to the slightly improved picture for the non-merchandise account.

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Selected Principal Statistics for Wool Yarn and Cloth Mills

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1820		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	41	38	-7.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,260	4,012	-5.9
Man-hours paid	000's	8,785	8,457	-3.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	35,771	37,744	5.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,391	3,856	13.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	86,878	91,392	5.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	170,349	175,141	2.8
Value added	\$000	80,631	83,657	3.7
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	5,171	4,874	-5.8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	48,318	50,256	4.0
Total value added	\$000	80,194	83,696	4.3

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Wool Yarn and Cloth Mills*, 1977 (34-209, 70¢).

Total revenue of all levels of government combined (excluding intergovernmental transfers) rose 8.7% in 1978. This slowdown was the result of lower growth rates in personal direct tax collections and indirect tax revenues offsetting higher growth rates in direct corporate tax revenues and government investment income. With total expenditure by all levels of government increasing 11.6%, the deficit of the government sector increased from \$5.4 billion in 1977 to \$8.2 billion in 1978.

Coal and Coke Statistics, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian coal production increased 13.8% in December to 3,178,882 tons (2 883 833 metric tonnes) from 2,792,148 tons (2 532 994 metric tonnes) a year earlier. Production during 1978 totalled 33,594,972 tons (30 476 846 metric tonnes), an increase of 6.9% from 1977. Imports rose to 2,132,780 tons (1 934 825 metric tonnes) in December from 987,670 tons (895 999 metric tonnes).

Industrial consumers used 2,740,398 tons (2 486 047 metric tonnes) of coal in the latest month, up 18,097 tons (16 417 metric tonnes) from December 1977 and 497,259 tons (451 106 metric tonnes) of coke, up 58,382 tons (52 963 metric tonnes).

For further information, order the December issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy Section, Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Electric Power Statistics, December 1978 — Advance Information

In December, net generation increased to 33.9 TW.h from 32.3 TW.h in December 1977. Hydro generation rose 4.1% while thermal production increased 6.5%.

Total generation for the year 1978 reached 335.7 TW.h, an increase of 6.0% from the January-December 1977 total.

For further information, order the December issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Cordage and Twine Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1840		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	19	17	-10.6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	520	415	-20.2
Man-hours paid	000's	1,028	838	-18.5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	4,386	3,805	-13.3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	260	286	10.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	8,334	8,110	-2.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	17,819	17,915	0.5
Value added	\$000	8,830	8,906	0.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	630	527	-16.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	6,060	5,887	-2.9
Total value added	\$000	8,805	8,880	0.8

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Cordage and Twine Industry*, 1977 (34-203, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Copper and Copper Alloy Rolling, Casting and Extruding Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2970		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	39	38	-2.6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,731	2,691	-1.5
Man-hours paid	000's	5,575	5,619	0.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	35,491	38,349	8.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	5,440	6,268	15.2
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	294,183	289,179	-1.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	372,306	378,341	1.6
Value added	\$000	73,056	80,754	10.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	3,297	3,183	-3.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	44,518	47,166	5.7
Total value added	\$000	71,249	78,467	10.1

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Copper and Copper Alloy Rolling, Casting and Extruding*, 1977 (41-224, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Aluminum Rolling, Casting and Extruding Industry

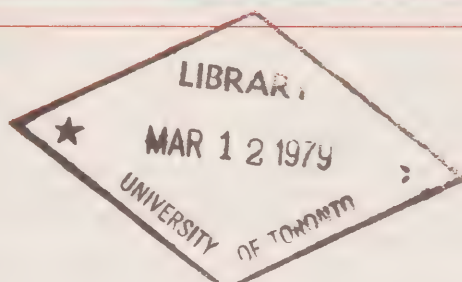
1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2960		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	59	59	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,778	5,313	11.2
Man-hours paid	000's	10,448	11,045	5.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	63,170	73,939	17.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	10,369	12,582	21.3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	382,646	467,866	22.3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	534,428	648,007	21.3
Value added	\$000	149,495	193,434	29.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	6,255	6,884	10.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	88,493	101,885	15.1
Total value added	\$000	149,366	193,671	29.7

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Aluminum Rolling, Casting and Extruding*, 1977 (41-204, 70¢).

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Selected Principal Statistics for the Boot and Shoe Findings Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1792		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	34	32	-5.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,136	1,055	-7.1
Man-hours paid	000's	2,292	2,165	-5.5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	8,975	8,629	-3.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	405	370	-8.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	17,938	17,940	—
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	37,430	35,148	-6.1
Value added	\$000	19,255	16,676	-13.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,340	1,225	-8.6
Total salaries and wages	\$000	11,511	10,724	-6.8
Total value added	\$000	19,752	16,745	-15.2

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Shoe Factories and Boot and Shoe Findings Manufacturers, 1977* (33-203, 70¢).

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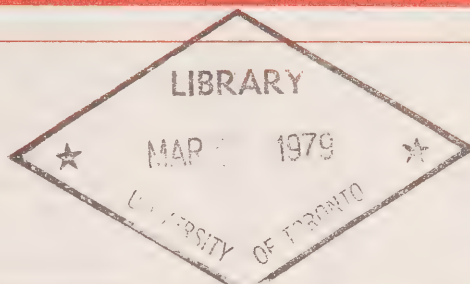
Canadian railways loaded 18.8 million short tons (17.0 million t) of revenue freight in January, an increase of 2.4% over the corresponding 1978 month. The carriers received an additional 1.6 million short tons (1.5 million t) from the United States, a gain of 17.9% from January 1978.

Commodities showing notable percentage change in volume in the latest month included wheat (up 36.4%); other grains (up 29.0%); and coal (up 9.3%). Loadings of copper-nickel ores and concentrates were down 92.6% due to the four-month-old strike at International Nickel Company mines.

For further information, order the December issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, 30¢/\$3) or, for seasonally-adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Import and Export Price and Volume Indexes

Price Indexes Weighted with Current Period Quantities
Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation
(1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1976 Annual	157.5	177.3
1977 Annual	176.0	188.8
1978 Annual	197.8	204.6
1977		
III Quarter	180.2	192.7
IV Quarter	183.2	193.0
1978		
I Quarter	191.1	199.1
II Quarter	193.5	200.6
III Quarter	200.6	207.6
IV Quarter	207.7	212.1
1978		
July	199.0	201.1
August	202.5	213.2
September	200.8	207.9
October	204.8	209.5
November	210.6	213.2
December	207.8	214.7

Volume Indexes Weighted with 1971 Prices
Seasonally Adjusted
(1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1976 Annual	152.2	120.7
1977 Annual	153.2	131.2
1978 Annual	159.2	143.9
1977		
III Quarter	150.9	128.3
IV Quarter	149.4	133.8
1978		
I Quarter	146.6	139.2
II Quarter	161.1	142.3
III Quarter	159.2	143.4
IV Quarter	170.6	151.7
1978		
July	158.5	138.2
August	152.9	132.7
September	166.2	159.3
October	167.3	145.8
November	168.0	157.9
December	176.5	151.5

Export volume increased for the fifth consecutive quarter. The fourth quarter growth rate of 5.8% was the highest in the year. Export volume in 1978 was nearly 10% higher than in 1977.

For further information, order the January issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

Postcensal Estimates of Population, Canada and Provinces, January 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Canada's population at January 1, 1979 totalled an estimated 23,597,600. Population figures for the provinces were as follows: Newfoundland, 572,900; Prince Edward Island, 122,300; Nova Scotia, 845,400; New Brunswick, 699,200; Quebec, 6,289,600; Ontario, 8,479,900; Manitoba, 1,029,900; Saskatchewan, 952,500; Alberta, 1,985,200; British Columbia, 2,555,800; Yukon Territory, 21,800; Northwest Territories, 43,100.

These postcensal estimates will be published in the next few weeks in catalogue 91-001; the bulletin will also provide details on the estimation methodology and brief comments on the results. To obtain estimates of interprovincial and international migration for the fourth quarter of 1978, or other information on population estimates, contact Miss G. Caron (613-995-2213), Population Estimates and Projections Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, December 1978 — Advance Information

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies decreased in December to 483,553,000 feet board measure (1 141 062 m³) from a revised 492,900,000 feet board measure (1 163 114 m³) in December 1977. Stocks on hand at the end of December 1978 totalled 625,172,000 feet board measure (1 475 244 m³).

For further information, order the December issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Import and Domestic Export Price and Volume Indexes, December 1978 — Advance Information

The rate of increase of both import and export prices accelerated in the fourth quarter of 1978. On a fixed-weighted basis, the import price index increased 4.5% and export prices rose 5.2%. The increases in the current-weighted indexes were lower because of changes in commodity composition. For the full year 1978, the current-weighted import index at 197.8 on a 1971 base was 12.4% higher than for 1977. The export price index at 204.6 was up 8.4% on 1977.

Seasonally-adjusted import volume increased 7.2% in the fourth quarter, following a small decline in the third. For the full year 1978, import volume increased nearly 4% over 1977.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory Services staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island by telephoning 1-800-565-7192. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Population Projections for Canada and the Provinces, 1976-2001 (91-520, \$7.50)

Released today is the above-noted publication. The report presents projections of the population of Canada, the provinces and the territories based on the 1976 Census results and the recent demographic trends in the nation. The results are presented by age, sex, and for each year between 1976 and 2001 (up to 2026 for Canada). Tables on the projected components of growth, births, deaths, and migration are also included. In all, there are seven series presented based on various assumptions (four main series plus three supplemental ones).

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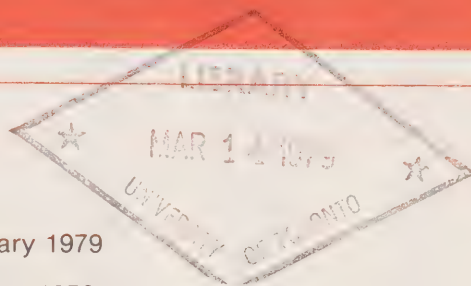
- During the 25 years between 1976 and 2001, the population of Canada is expected to grow by between 22% and 35%, compared with a growth of 64% during the period 1951-1976.
- In the year 2001, the population of Canada is projected to be between 28,000,000 and 31,000,000.
- If current trends continue, the country would reach the zero growth level during the first quarter of the next century and there may even be a population decline in the longer run.
- There is more uncertainty beyond 2001. If recent trends in fertility and migration continue, the population may be between 28 and 29 million during the period 2001-2026. On the other hand, if fertility increases from the 1976 rate of 1.8 to 2.1 children per woman, and if net migration increases from the current level of about 35,000 to an average of 100,000 persons per year, the population would be 37 million in the year 2026.
- Following the sharp drop in the fertility rate, Canada's population has started to age rapidly. While in 1976, 50% of the people were less than 28 years old, by the year 2001 half of Canadians are expected to be older than 36 years. The group aged 65 years and over is expected to be about 12% of the population in the year 2001 and possibly 20% by 2026, compared to only 9% in 1976.

- The ranks of various provinces with regard to their size are not expected to be altered in the year 2001; Ontario would continue to be the largest province with about 35 to 38% of the country's population. Quebec would stay second, although its share of population may be slightly reduced from 27% in 1976 to 23-25% in the year 2001. While B.C. is expected to either maintain or increase its share slightly, Alberta is expected to increase its share significantly from 8% in 1976 to 10-12% in the year 2001.

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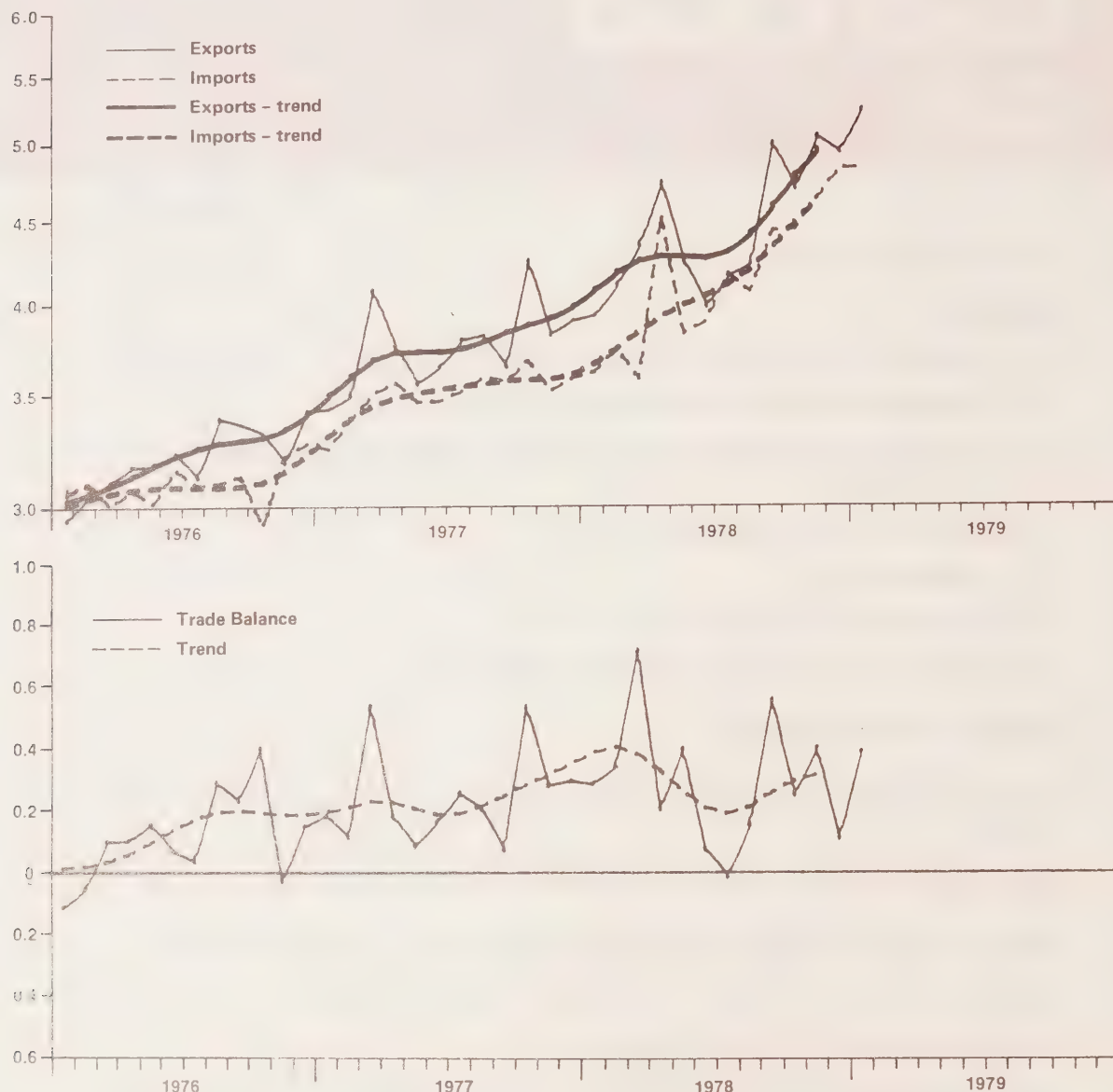
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EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE: ALL COUNTRIES

Seasonally Adjusted
Balance of Payments Basis

Billions of Dollars



Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, January 1979

Seasonally adjusted exports on a balance-of-payments basis increased 5.8% in January 1979 to \$5.13 billion, following a decrease of 2.1% in December. Imports edged up 0.2% in January to \$4.74 billion after a 4% increase in the preceding month. The resulting seasonally adjusted trade balance for January was a surplus of \$386 million.

Data Analysis

The monthly trade figures often fluctuate widely about the trend as can clearly be seen from the accompanying charts. This is particularly the case for exports and the trade balance. Monthly changes therefore require careful interpretation. In general, changes in trends provide a more reliable guide to the direction

and rate of change of trade data. It should be noted that estimates of the trend for the two most recent months often change considerably with the addition of further months of data. For this reason, the trends depicted by heavy lines on the charts do not show estimates of trend for the two most recent months.

Recent monthly increases in the export trend show that a peak monthly increase of 4% was reached in October 1978 and diminished to a 3.4% increase in November. The long-term monthly compound rate of increase over nearly four years since the bottom of the trough, reached in April 1975, was 1.4% for exports. Monthly increases in the import trend also peaked in

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Merchandise Trade of Canada

	Customs Basis*		Balance of Payments Basis*				Trade Balance
	Unadjusted		Unadjusted		Seasonally Adjusted		
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports (\$ millions)	Exports	Imports	
1977							
Third Quarter	10,608	9,910	10,627	9,869	11,116	10,579	537
Fourth Quarter	11,805	10,819	12,071	10,791	11,783	10,674	1,109
1978							
First Quarter	11,672	10,629	11,819	10,727	12,157	10,821	1,336
Second Quarter	13,876	13,484	13,569	13,031	12,727	12,044	683
Third Quarter	12,478	11,622	12,388	11,502	13,122	12,431	691
Fourth Quarter	14,615	13,949	14,614	13,662	14,384	13,626	758
1978							
January	3,507	3,190	3,694	3,464	3,867	3,581	286
February	4,096	3,901	3,809	3,517	4,034	3,695	339
March	4,069	3,538	4,316	3,746	4,256	3,545	711
April	4,650	4,694	4,343	4,353	4,644	4,438	206
May	4,666	4,393	4,690	4,334	4,168	3,770	398
June	4,560	4,398	4,536	4,344	3,915	3,836	79
July	3,905	3,860	3,868	3,826	4,081	4,095	-14
August	3,934	3,759	3,868	3,698	4,144	3,992	152
September	4,639	4,002	4,652	3,978	4,897	4,344	553
October	4,801	4,791	4,867	4,658	4,601	4,352	249
November	5,261	4,893	5,212	4,807	4,943	4,544	399
December	4,553	4,265	4,535	4,197	4,840	4,730	110
1979							
January	4,969	4,751	4,929	4,663	5,127	4,741	386

*In the above table, export and import totals are shown on both a "customs" and a "balance-of-payments" basis. The figures on a customs basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts explained in Summary of External Trade. The figures on a balance-of-payments basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices. For more information about these adjustments, please refer to Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20).

October 1978 at 3.4%, declining to a 3.2% increase in November. Since the bottom of the trough reached in April 1975, the compound monthly increase in imports has accelerated. Growth in the import trend averaged 0.7% per month over the 14 months to mid-1976, 1.0% for the 20 months up until February 1978, and 2.3% over the nine months to November 1978.

The monthly increase in the trend of the trade balance also appears to be slowing down from an increase of \$46 million in September 1978 to \$40 million in October and \$20 million in November. The average of the trend values of the trade balance for the three periods up to November 1978 was just under \$270 million.

Exports (Seasonally Adjusted), Commodity Analysis

The main contribution to the January increase in domestic exports came from end products which rose 9.7% after falling 4.2% in December. Exports of communication equipment increased 38% and industrial machinery deliveries were up 12%. Automotive products were down 10% — both passenger car and truck exports were weak in January. The food, feed, beverages and tobacco section was up 10% following a 20% decline in December. Wheat exports, after falling 54% in December, increased 57% in January. Crude materials were up 3.5% in January, metallic ores and natural gas increasing 6.2% and 6.6%, respectively.

In terms of percentage changes in trend over the three months up to November 1978, the crude materials section, with a strong recovery in metallic ores exports since mid-summer, has contributed most to the recent growth in the export trend. The fabricated materials section has also contributed strongly — lumber, pulp, and chemicals the commodities with the highest rate of growth. End products exports have grown less strongly. Truck exports have been very strong with average monthly increases in trend of about 8% in September, October and November. Parts exports also showed strong growth over this period, but the passenger car export trend started to decline in October.

Imports (Seasonally Adjusted), Commodity Analysis

The marginal increase in January imports (on a Customs basis) masked more substantial changes at the section level. Imports of crude materials were down 22% following a 13% decrease in December, largely due to declines in crude petroleum imports of 34% in January and 42% in December. Imports of end products were up 3.3% in January following a 7.3%

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Table 1
Imports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1977							
Third Quarter	10,619.9	7,850.8	7,451.3	331.7	2,836.8	614.5	457.3
Fourth Quarter	10,702.3	7,792.4	7,456.3	321.3	2,924.7	578.9	481.2
1978							
First Quarter	10,993.4	8,085.6	7,693.5	344.4	2,955.5	690.4	502.6
Second Quarter	12,228.7	8,952.8	8,645.4	391.5	3,191.8	751.7	568.1
Third Quarter	12,547.6	9,187.1	8,949.1	401.5	3,197.0	706.2	621.2
Fourth Quarter	13,910.1	10,412.6	9,723.6	460.2	3,726.3	883.3	572.9
1978							
August	4,052.0	2,966.5	2,928.2	126.9	996.9	239.6	194.6
September	4,368.0	3,211.5	3,107.5	145.7	1,114.9	234.2	235.3
October	4,483.5	3,346.5	3,091.5	137.1	1,254.9	296.4	209.7
November	4,628.8	3,479.1	3,201.3	157.2	1,270.3	282.1	170.2
December	4,797.8	3,587.0	3,430.8	165.9	1,201.1	304.8	193.0
1979							
January	4,828.8	3,456.0	3,704.2	136.7	987.9	313.6	187.2
Percent changes							
January/December	0.6	-3.6	7.9	-17.6	-17.7	2.8	-2.9
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	10.4	10.4	13.2	12.2	2.7	16.9	-13.9
Jan. 79/Jan. 78	32.9	30.7	47.0	25.1	-1.6	42.0	14.1

Table 2
Imports by Principal Trading Areas, Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	3,412.3	3,072.9	3,510.8	2,101.2	2,367.0	2,654.2	62.3	29.8	32.2
United Kingdom	135.8	135.7	154.5	97.2	99.0	104.3	39.7	36.9	48.1
Other E.E.C.	313.8	262.7	289.7	191.8	195.6	188.6	63.6	34.3	53.6
Japan	211.0	171.7	187.6	162.1	163.1	165.3	30.1	5.2	13.5
Other O.E.C.D.	156.7	115.2	165.8	106.0	139.4	88.7	47.8	-17.3	86.9
Other America	207.6	208.1	219.4	270.8	174.8	205.6	-23.3	19.0	6.6
Other Countries	313.3	298.9	365.0	260.6	351.3	212.3	20.2	-14.9	71.8
All Countries	4,750.6	4,265.2	4,892.9	3,189.7	3,490.2	3,619.0	48.9	22.2	35.1
	Year-to-Date						Jan.-Jan. Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	79/78	78/77	
United States	3,412.3	35,011.8	2,101.2	29,630.2	2,042.0	25,751.7	62.3	2.9	
United Kingdom	135.8	1,597.7	97.2	1,281.4	89.0	1,149.7	39.7	9.1	
Other E.E.C.	313.8	3,031.8	191.8	2,357.7	162.8	1,991.0	63.6	17.7	
Japan	211.0	2,264.9	162.1	1,802.8	132.5	1,523.9	30.1	22.3	
Other O.E.C.D.	156.7	1,465.0	106.0	1,256.0	103.6	1,231.2	47.8	2.2	
Other America	207.6	2,534.0	270.8	2,452.4	206.2	2,057.3	-23.3	31.3	
Other Countries	313.3	3,778.8	260.6	3,375.4	283.1	3,739.6	20.2	-7.9	
All Countries	4,750.6	49,684.0	3,189.7	42,156.0	3,019.2	37,444.4	48.9	5.6	

Table 3

**Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings,
Not Seasonally Adjusted**

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978 (\$ millions)	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.
Live Animals	4.8	7.0	9.6	2.3	3.3	4.9	105.8	112.4	95.4
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	310.3	295.7	359.3	240.6	288.7	270.1	28.9	2.4	33.0
Meat and fish	54.6	45.2	56.8	39.4	46.1	44.8	38.3	-1.8	26.7
Fruits and vegetables	107.9	107.3	106.2	70.3	92.1	80.6	53.6	16.4	31.7
Raw sugar	12.9	13.2	32.3	20.0	31.9	18.5	-35.4	-58.4	74.3
Crude Materials, Inedible	550.8	496.3	626.5	450.4	461.7	384.3	22.2	7.5	63.0
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	93.1	50.2	66.3	34.9	47.3	39.1	166.8	6.1	69.6
Coal	47.0	74.3	107.5	14.7	38.9	56.9	219.0	90.8	88.8
Crude petroleum	257.1	272.8	355.8	320.9	305.4	219.0	-19.8	-10.6	62.4
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	855.1	754.3	885.8	530.1	588.7	607.2	61.2	28.1	45.8
Wood and paper	73.3	62.1	72.3	46.4	52.1	57.7	58.0	19.1	25.2
Textiles	117.1	96.6	102.1	76.2	72.5	71.2	53.5	33.0	43.4
Chemicals	226.9	214.7	240.2	154.6	155.9	168.4	46.7	37.7	42.6
Iron and steel	100.9	96.4	125.9	61.9	83.9	82.7	63.0	14.8	52.2
Bars and rods, steel	9.1	11.4	15.1	7.6	10.9	9.7	20.7	4.7	56.0
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	36.9	32.1	45.6	21.7	27.9	27.5	69.9	15.0	66.0
Non-ferrous metals	122.9	92.1	119.1	38.0	58.1	55.6	223.1	58.4	114.0
End Products, Inedible	2,911.5	2,683.2	2,975.6	1,939.8	2,109.1	2,316.5	50.0	27.2	28.4
General purpose machinery	162.1	152.6	165.6	111.1	124.7	126.2	45.8	22.3	31.1
Special industry machinery	265.9	209.4	229.4	154.0	156.9	156.1	72.5	33.4	46.9
Machine tools, metalworking	26.6	22.4	20.5	16.3	12.5	13.6	63.1	79.3	50.8
Agricultural machinery and tractors	133.8	112.6	139.4	83.0	96.0	91.1	61.1	17.2	53.0
Transportation equipment	1,328.6	1,294.5	1,489.1	920.7	1,000.0	1,221.2	44.3	29.4	21.9
Passenger automobiles and chassis	269.2	336.6	332.6	230.4	275.6	308.4	16.8	22.1	7.8
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	120.1	118.7	145.8	57.3	73.6	86.8	109.3	61.2	67.9
Other motor vehicles	34.0	26.8	40.0	24.9	30.5	25.9	36.5	-11.9	54.1
Motor vehicle engines	93.5	75.8	97.4	44.9	45.4	60.2	108.2	66.8	61.8
Motor vehicle engine parts	47.5	41.7	69.3	56.5	59.3	73.4	-15.8	-29.7	-5.6
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	621.4	530.3	632.6	425.5	427.3	585.3	46.0	24.0	8.0
Aircraft, complete with engines	11.0	59.1	62.3	2.4	10.4	5.6	364.1	468.9	1,013.1
Other equipment and tools	570.5	492.4	533.8	364.6	394.8	403.4	56.4	24.7	32.3
Electronic computers	87.2	80.4	77.0	52.9	54.4	51.7	64.8	47.7	48.9
Special Transactions, Trade	118.1	28.8	36.2	26.4	38.8	36.0	347.4	-25.7	0.3
Total	4,750.6	4,265.2	4,892.9	3,189.7	3,490.2	3,619.0	48.9	22.2	35.1

increase in December. The main contributors to the January increase were trucks, automotive parts and communication equipment. But passenger car imports were down 4%.

In terms of percentage changes in trend over the three periods up to November 1978, fabricated material imports contributed most to the growth in total imports, increasing at an average rate of about 4% in each period. Non-ferrous metal imports, for which the trend increased over 13% each month, contributed most to the growth of fabricated materials — gold imports being a prime contributor. Crude materials also increased strongly but showed a declining trend mainly due to a declining trend for crude petroleum imports. End product imports increased steadily at an average of 3% per month. Most of the major commodities in the end product area contributed to the increase — truck and other transportation equipment showing above average increases. One major exception was passenger car imports which have shown a slightly declining trend since September 1978.

Exports (Seasonally Adjusted), Customs Basis
Trading Partner Analysis

Exports to the United States increased 2.9% in January following a 2.6% advance in December and accounted for 70% of total January exports. Deliveries to the European Economic Community countries (excluding the United Kingdom) increased 17% following an 8% decline in December. Exports to Japan rose 2.8% in January after a 21% decline in the preceding month.

In terms of changes in trend during the last three months up to November 1978, exports to the U.S. were increasing at an average of 3.1% and exports to the E.E.C. (excluding the U.K.) were increasing at an average rate of over 6%. The rate of growth of exports to Japan peaked in September at 4.8% and diminished to 2.9% in November.

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Table 3 (Continued)

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings,
Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Year-to-Date						Jan.-Jan. Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	79	78	78 77
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	4.8	80.4	2.3	52.2	3.5	108.6	105.8	-33.5	
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	310.3	3,699.0	240.6	3,255.6	224.0	2,762.4	28.9	7.3	
Meat and fish	54.6	600.9	39.4	533.6	37.7	545.8	38.3	4.4	
Fruits and vegetables	107.9	1,254.9	70.3	1,038.7	62.7	860.8	53.6	12.0	
Raw sugar	12.9	200.6	20.0	219.9	22.6	248.6	-35.4	-11.3	
Crude Materials, Inedible	550.8	5,885.9	450.4	5,305.8	436.9	5,091.1	22.2	3.0	
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	93.1	699.6	34.9	526.3	35.0	424.4	166.8	-0.1	
Coal	47.0	632.4	14.7	617.7	25.2	544.3	219.0	-41.5	
Crude petroleum	257.1	3,466.3	320.9	3,209.5	288.2	3,280.1	-19.8	11.3	
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	855.1	8,773.3	530.1	6,998.9	474.6	6,210.9	61.2	11.7	
Wood and paper	73.3	782.7	46.4	685.6	50.0	736.4	58.0	-7.2	
Textiles	117.1	1,072.6	76.2	889.8	67.2	840.7	53.5	13.4	
Chemicals	226.9	2,614.4	154.6	1,998.2	133.0	1,681.7	46.7	16.2	
Iron and steel	100.9	1,091.4	61.9	869.4	55.7	721.9	63.0	11.0	
Bars and rods, steel	9.1	132.5	7.6	104.9	8.8	90.7	20.7	-13.7	
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	36.9	377.6	21.7	269.8	17.5	206.4	69.9	24.1	
Non-ferrous metals	122.9	800.7	38.0	531.1	33.4	493.5	223.1	13.9	
End Products, Inedible	2,911.5	30,856.5	1,939.8	26,122.2	1,847.0	22,776.1	50.0	5.0	
General purpose machinery	162.1	1,771.9	111.1	1,429.4	97.6	1,306.4	45.8	13.8	
Special industry machinery	265.9	2,504.4	154.0	2,063.4	157.7	1,905.8	72.5	-2.3	
Machine tools, metalworking	26.6	218.1	16.3	169.4	11.5	145.6	63.1	41.1	
Agricultural machinery and tractors	133.8	1,507.6	83.0	1,334.9	111.7	1,317.8	61.1	-25.6	
Transportation equipment	1,328.6	14,519.9	920.7	12,495.7	840.2	10,359.2	44.3	9.5	
Passenger automobiles and chassis	269.2	3,788.7	230.4	3,349.8	188.7	2,800.3	16.8	22.1	
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	120.1	1,220.1	57.3	1,009.5	63.9	838.6	109.3	-10.2	
Other motor vehicles	34.0	377.0	24.9	342.4	22.2	336.5	36.5	12.1	
Motor vehicle engines	93.5	807.6	44.9	545.3	36.5	508.0	108.2	23.0	
Motor vehicle engines parts	47.5	708.7	56.5	691.1	49.7	460.9	-15.8	13.5	
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	621.4	6,140.5	425.5	5,458.1	394.4	4,455.3	46.0	7.9	
Aircraft, complete with engines	11.0	255.1	2.4	89.4	7.1	110.4	364.1	-66.7	
Other equipment and tools	570.5	5,756.1	364.6	4,659.7	343.6	4,142.7	56.4	6.1	
Electronic computers	87.2	851.2	52.9	558.8	44.2	428.3	64.8	19.7	
Special Transactions, Trade	118.1	388.9	26.4	421.2	33.2	495.3	347.4	-20.5	
Total	4,750.6	49,684.0	3,189.7	42,156.0	3,019.2	37,444.4	48.9	5.6	

Imports (Seasonally Adjusted), Customs Basis

Trading Partner Analysis

Imports from the U.S. increased 8% in January following a 7.2% advance in December and accounted for 77% of total imports in January.

The growth of the trend of imports from the U.S. has accelerated during the last few periods from an increase in the trend of 1.8% in August, to 2.8% in September, 3.8% in October, and 4.1% in November. Imports from the U.K. have shown somewhat similar growth. The strongest growth of all the major trading areas was with the E.E.C. (excluding the U.K.) with a growth in trend of around 6% per period during September, October and November. Imports from Japan have shown a slightly declining trend during October and November.

For further information on area and commodity trade, order the January issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

Table 4
Total Exports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs Basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	Total excluding cars and wheat	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1977								
Third Quarter	11,097.7	8,775.0	8,232.3	7,831.3	498.3	2,768.0	694.6	629.1
Fourth Quarter	11,516.7	8,690.4	8,219.9	8,173.5	476.2	2,867.0	673.4	615.0
1978								
First Quarter	12,338.5	9,562.0	9,160.4	8,666.6	512.1	3,159.8	711.1	683.3
Second Quarter	12,728.4	9,793.1	9,329.8	9,001.8	530.9	3,195.7	697.2	743.2
Third Quarter	13,200.2	10,134.0	9,615.7	9,311.8	478.7	3,409.7	674.1	806.5
Fourth Quarter	14,374.2	10,871.4	10,343.9	10,019.0	483.3	3,872.0	826.2	828.5
1978								
August	4,205.3	3,222.5	3,081.6	3,067.9	157.6	979.8	227.7	239.8
September	4,879.9	3,840.9	3,588.1	3,256.0	165.0	1,458.9	254.6	340.9
October	4,532.2	3,369.5	3,157.3	3,111.3	144.7	1,276.2	260.9	208.0
November	4,988.5	3,847.3	3,630.0	3,409.0	198.7	1,380.8	294.8	346.1
December	4,853.5	3,654.6	3,556.5	3,498.7	139.8	1,215.0	270.5	274.4
1979								
January	5,167.2	3,984.0	3,830.1	3,599.1	214.6	1,353.6	316.6	282.1
			Percent changes					
January/December	6.4	9.0	7.6	2.8	53.4	11.4	17.0	2.8
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	10.2	10.0	12.1	11.3	18.3	6.3	18.6	14.4
Jan. 79/Jan. 78	31.9	31.6	32.8	24.7	38.5	54.4	55.9	34.7

Table 5
Total Exports by Principal Trading Areas, Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	3,426.7	3,288.4	3,594.1	2,534.6	2,842.0	2,755.8	35.1	15.7	30.4
United Kingdom	195.1	140.9	177.7	126.1	200.0	120.6	54.7	-29.5	47.3
Other E.E.C.	321.8	288.4	312.0	185.7	282.3	208.7	73.3	2.1	49.5
Japan	329.3	216.1	335.3	213.5	179.0	162.8	54.2	20.7	105.8
Other O.E.C.D.	158.3	90.3	133.9	82.6	117.1	70.8	91.6	-22.9	89.1
Other America	198.1	153.9	280.3	156.3	179.9	149.3	26.7	-14.4	87.8
Other Countries	339.9	374.7	428.0	208.7	289.0	201.5	62.9	29.6	112.3
All Countries	4,969.3	4,552.6	5,261.3	3,507.3	4,089.3	3,669.5	41.6	11.3	43.3
	Year-to-Date						Jan.-Jan. Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	79/78	78/77	
United States	3,426.7	37,002.7	2,534.6	31,026.6	2,145.3	25,893.9	35.1	18.1	
United Kingdom	195.1	2,005.1	126.1	1,946.3	159.3	1,877.9	54.7	-20.8	
Other E.E.C.	321.8	2,908.8	185.7	2,769.2	235.5	2,698.8	73.3	-21.1	
Japan	329.3	3,061.8	213.5	2,518.0	195.1	2,396.5	54.2	9.4	
Other O.E.C.D.	158.3	1,195.9	82.6	1,221.3	84.0	1,069.8	91.6	-1.6	
Other America	198.1	2,464.0	156.3	1,927.9	117.1	1,796.1	26.7	33.4	
Other Countries	339.9	4,003.5	208.7	2,966.3	224.1	2,663.5	62.9	-6.8	
All Countries	4,969.3	52,641.7	3,507.3	44,375.5	3,160.3	38,396.6	41.6	10.9	

Table 6

**Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings,
Not Seasonally Adjusted**

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	20.1	21.7	25.6	9.5	17.8	17.9	110.7	21.4	43.0
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	414.4	404.5	576.3	281.2	456.2	328.3	47.3	-11.3	75.5
Meat and fish	113.2	108.7	158.5	75.3	94.2	67.6	50.2	15.3	134.5
Cereals and preparations	181.5	198.1	308.4	140.5	268.7	177.5	29.1	-26.2	73.7
Wheat	140.6	108.6	249.8	94.1	192.2	126.7	49.4	-43.5	97.1
Crude Materials, Inedible	884.0	828.5	843.3	730.1	808.0	708.5	21.0	2.5	19.0
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	221.3	236.6	255.5	159.9	233.5	196.0	38.3	1.3	30.3
Crude petroleum	173.0	154.3	139.6	163.5	154.3	140.2	5.7	0.0	-0.4
Natural gas	227.3	200.1	173.2	212.9	205.8	200.8	6.7	-2.7	-13.7
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,797.2	1,508.6	1,783.8	1,276.5	1,351.0	1,183.7	40.7	11.6	50.6
Wood and paper	921.5	761.1	865.5	630.9	686.8	594.0	46.0	10.8	45.7
Lumber, softwood	314.8	235.4	287.2	205.2	194.6	168.4	53.4	20.9	70.4
Wood pulp and similar pulp	254.6	199.9	215.8	147.3	169.7	150.2	72.8	17.8	43.7
Newsprint paper	239.6	224.9	248.0	202.0	225.3	207.9	18.6	-0.1	19.2
Textiles	14.2	11.9	14.4	8.4	9.7	8.1	69.4	22.4	79.3
Chemicals	225.1	213.0	217.9	117.9	147.2	149.7	90.9	44.6	45.5
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	68.6	72.0	61.0	44.8	43.5	49.8	53.0	65.4	22.5
Petroleum and coal products	107.7	72.3	99.9	76.4	63.9	47.5	41.0	13.1	110.4
Iron and steel	132.9	122.2	147.5	87.2	97.5	89.8	52.4	25.3	64.2
Non-ferrous metals	227.3	212.9	291.2	237.7	228.0	196.9	-4.3	-6.6	47.9
Copper and alloys	21.7	25.3	37.6	40.1	42.7	33.5	-45.9	-40.8	12.4
Nickel and alloys	20.0	11.3	18.7	71.0	54.6	45.1	-71.8	-79.3	-58.5
End Products, Inedible	1,691.9	1,685.6	1,934.4	1,151.6	1,375.8	1,369.8	46.9	22.5	41.2
Industrial machinery	144.8	138.6	141.7	89.4	110.5	76.0	62.0	25.4	86.4
Agricultural machinery and tractors	46.1	44.5	57.3	25.2	40.2	34.5	83.1	10.6	65.8
Transportation equipment	1,214.6	1,242.8	1,434.8	879.9	984.9	1,080.5	38.0	26.1	32.7
Passenger automobiles and chassis	378.3	451.2	480.9	331.8	368.6	413.8	14.0	22.3	16.2
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	255.8	282.4	322.3	182.1	210.1	250.2	40.4	34.4	28.8
Other motor vehicles	29.6	22.8	18.1	15.9	25.0	23.6	86.5	-8.8	-22.9
Motor vehicle engines and parts	91.2	86.7	108.4	85.4	65.8	88.1	6.7	31.7	23.0
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	338.4	287.0	354.3	213.4	238.7	247.7	58.5	20.2	43.0
Other equipment and tools	135.3	117.9	128.0	68.9	99.1	78.1	96.4	18.9	63.7
Special transactions, Trade	56.5	9.1	15.1	7.0	4.5	3.3	710.8	102.5	353.1
Total	4,864.1	4,457.9	5,178.4	3,455.9	4,013.2	3,611.5	40.7	11.0	43.3

Steel Ingots, Week Ended March 3, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended March 3 was 352,659 short tons (319 927 t), an increase of 4.6% over the preceding week's total of 337,272 short tons (305 968 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 292,113 short tons (265 000 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 192.5 in the current week, 184.1 a week earlier and 159.4 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, December 1978 — Advance Information

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 990.2 million feet board measure (2 336 600 m³) of lumber and ties in December compared to 912.6 million feet board measure (2 153 600 m³) a year earlier.

January to December production increased to 12,545.1 million feet board measure (29 603 100 m³) in 1978 from 12,038.4 million feet board measure (28 407 600 m³) in 1978.

For further information, order the December issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Table 6 (Continued)

**Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings,
Not Seasonally Adjusted**

			Year-to-Date				Jan.-Jan. Percent Changes	
	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	79/78	78/77
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	20.1	213.6	9.5	151.3	9.2	134.0	110.7	3.7
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	414.4	5,078.2	281.2	4,394.5	295.5	4,141.1	47.3	-4.8
Meat and fish	113.2	1,412.0	75.3	1,013.9	48.3	791.2	50.2	55.9
Cereals and preparations	181.5	2,646.3	140.5	2,424.8	181.5	2,590.4	29.1	-22.5
Wheat	140.6	1,911.2	94.1	1,826.8	121.2	1,719.7	49.4	-22.4
Crude Materials, Inedible	884.0	8,829.2	730.1	8,849.8	709.2	8,274.0	21.0	2.9
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	221.3	2,402.7	159.9	2,729.8	206.7	2,501.3	38.3	-22.6
Crude petroleum	173.0	1,572.7	163.5	1,750.6	169.4	2,286.7	5.7	-3.4
Natural gas	227.3	2,190.3	212.9	2,028.1	154.4	1,616.5	6.7	37.9
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,797.2	18,890.6	1,276.5	14,924.8	1,070.9	12,189.1	40.7	19.2
Wood and paper	921.5	9,428.8	630.9	7,750.0	543.4	6,434.7	46.0	16.1
Lumber, softwood	314.8	3,158.0	205.2	2,338.6	157.0	1,610.6	53.4	30.6
Woodpulp and similar pulp	254.6	2,179.3	147.3	2,156.0	160.2	2,181.1	72.8	-8.0
Newsprint paper	239.6	2,886.2	202.0	2,381.3	166.8	2,001.1	18.6	21.1
Textiles	14.2	148.5	8.4	111.0	7.1	101.2	69.4	17.3
Chemicals	225.1	2,353.8	117.9	1,738.6	123.4	1,383.2	90.9	-4.4
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	68.6	734.9	44.8	659.0	50.7	547.2	53.0	-11.6
Petroleum and coal products	107.7	776.5	76.4	649.1	57.7	559.0	41.0	32.3
Iron and steel	132.9	1,426.6	87.2	1,046.5	83.7	840.9	52.4	4.1
Non-ferrous metals	227.3	3,253.9	237.7	2,495.3	192.2	2,149.8	-4.3	23.7
Copper and alloys	21.7	509.5	40.1	522.0	44.7	525.9	-45.9	-10.2
Nickel and alloys	20.0	564.8	71.0	436.9	33.5	444.3	-71.8	111.6
End Products, Inedible	1,691.9	18,591.1	1,151.6	15,117.2	1,021.6	12,708.0	46.9	12.7
Industrial machinery	144.8	1,530.5	89.4	1,164.3	72.6	891.0	62.0	23.0
Agricultural machinery and tractors	46.1	605.3	25.2	558.9	35.0	539.8	83.1	-28.0
Transportation equipment	1,214.6	13,547.6	879.9	11,224.3	783.0	9,228.4	38.0	12.3
Passenger automobiles and chassis	378.3	4,881.1	331.8	4,412.8	332.2	3,686.1	14.0	0.0
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	255.8	2,661.0	182.1	2,113.4	144.3	1,410.5	40.4	26.1
Other motor vehicles	29.6	256.9	15.9	194.2	7.7	161.0	86.5	106.0
Motor vehicle engines and parts	91.2	1,062.0	85.4	944.9	73.5	776.7	6.7	16.2
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	338.4	3,416.9	213.4	2,673.7	178.3	2,189.5	58.5	19.6
Other equipment and tools	135.3	1,256.8	68.9	932.7	59.2	836.1	96.4	16.3
Special Transactions, Trade	56.5	116.4	7.0	68.2	5.6	129.6	710.8	23.6
Total	4,864.1	51,719.1	3,455.9	43,505.8	3,111.9	37,575.7	40.7	11.0

**Production of Tea and Coffee, Fourth Quarter 1978 —
Advance Information**

Production of roasted coffee was 32,586,000 lbs. (14 781 metric tonnes) during the December quarter compared to 32,708,000 lbs. (14 837 metric tonnes) in the October-December 1977 period.

Production of tea was 10,196,000 lbs. (4 625 metric tonnes) compared to 9,838,000 lbs. (4 463 metric tonnes) in the year-earlier period.

For further information, order the December issue of *Miscellaneous Food Preparations* (32-018, 35¢ \$1.40), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Clock and Watch Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3912		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	17	20	18
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	970	1,013	4
Man-hours paid	000's	2,014	2,101	4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	8,792	9,694	10
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	248	313	26
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	39,449	52,996	34
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	69,364	85,579	23
Value added	\$000	27,628	35,576	29
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,306	1,428	9
Total salaries and wages	\$000	13,820	15,640	13
Total value added	\$000	30,328	40,244	33

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Scientific and Professional Equipment Industries*, 1977 (47-206, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for Distilleries

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1092		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	30	30	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	3,000	2,836	-5.5
Man-hours paid	000's	6,305	6,042	-4.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	41,257	42,632	3.3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	11,740	14,415	22.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	189,874	208,841	10.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	503,856	567,145	12.6
Value added	\$000	326,384	356,672	9.3
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	5,708	5,414	-5.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	85,267	89,551	5.0
Total value added	\$000	328,934	360,537	9.6

For further information, contact Mr. T. P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Distilleries*, 1977 (32-206, 70¢).

Chemical and Mineral Process Plant Indexes

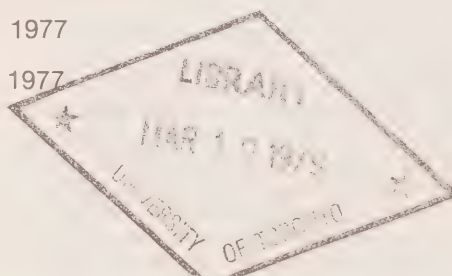
Fourth quarter 1978, third quarter 1978 revised and annual 1978 figures for the Chemical and Mineral Process Plant indexes are now available. For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. R.J. Lowe (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

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Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act, Part I — Report for 1976 (61-210, N/C)

Compendium of Selected Health Manpower Statistics, 1976 (83-231, \$1.40)

Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments, Fourth Quarter and Year 1978

In the fourth quarter of 1978 Canada's seasonally adjusted current account deficit rose to a record \$1,808 million, up from \$1,394 million in the previous quarter. Unadjusted for seasonal variations, the deficit in the quarter was \$1,907 million. Capital movements, which are not seasonally adjusted, resulted in a net inflow of \$806 million, while the balancing item representing net errors and omissions in the recorded estimates of the current and capital accounts was equivalent to a net inflow of \$1,406 million. The over-all surplus led to a net increase in official monetary assets of \$305 million.

The main quarterly features were:

- A 10% increase in the seasonally adjusted merchandise trade surplus to \$758 million as the value of exports and imports both grew at the same pace. About two-thirds of the export growth was due to volume increases, compared with less than three-fifths for imports. Among exports, large increases were recorded on a seasonally adjusted basis, for automotive products, lumber, crude petroleum, woodpulp, iron ore, meat and fish, while substantial declines were recorded for wheat, barley and coal. Import commodities which rose the most were automotive products, crude petroleum, non-ferrous metals (particularly the gold component), industrial machinery, coal and civil aircraft.
- A \$481 million increase in the seasonally adjusted non-merchandise trade deficit to \$2,566 million which was more than accounted for by a \$500 million rise in the net deficit on interest and dividend transactions. Payments of dividends in the fourth quarter were irregularly high as many companies availed themselves of the opportunity to distribute to shareholders tax-paid surplus accumulated prior to 1972, before tax regulations pertaining to such distributions were changed effective from the end of 1978. (Out of total such payments of over \$350 million some \$215 million of these irregular payments were in the form of stock dividends and therefore are also included as an inflow in the capital account, largely as direct investment.) A partly offsetting movement was a \$77 million decline in the travel deficit to \$373 million.
- A swing of \$400 million to a net outflow of \$63 million from capital movements in long-term forms, the first quarterly outflow since the third quarter of 1974. The principal factor in this swing was the turnaround to a net outflow of \$735 million for foreign direct investment in Canada, reflecting purchases of controlling blocks of foreign-controlled Canadian companies. A partly offsetting change arose from increased inflows of \$941 million from the sale of Canadian new issues abroad, due largely to a federal government issue placed in New York.
- A net inflow of \$869 million from capital movements in short-term forms, a swing of \$1,943 million from the previous quarter, mainly due to turnarounds of almost \$1.5 billion and \$250 million as chartered banks and other residents, respectively, reduced their foreign currency claims on non-residents after building them up substantially in the previous quarter.
- An over-all surplus of \$305 million with reserve assets and liabilities increasing by \$1,014 million and \$709 million, respectively. The net increase in reserve assets includes the proceeds of two additio-

nal borrowings of U.S. \$300 million each under the standby credit facilities with Canadian and foreign banks (which are shown as reserve liabilities) and the bond issue in New York of U.S. \$750 million.

- After dipping to its lowest level since the early 1930s, a sharp increase in the external value of the Canadian dollar in the first half of the quarter which was reversed in December so the year-end close of 84.33 U.S. cents was virtually unchanged from the value at the end of third quarter.

Year 1978

In 1978 as a whole the current account deficit rose to \$5,285 million, up from \$4,150 million in 1977. Capital movements produced a net inflow of \$3,758 million, while the balancing item was equivalent to a net outflow of \$1,772 million. The over-all deficit led to a net decline in reserve assets of \$3,299 million.

The main annual features were:

- A sharp increase of \$1,135 million in the current account deficit to \$5,285 million as a rise of \$552 million in the merchandise trade surplus to \$3,468 million was more than offset by a jump of \$1,687 million in the non-merchandise trade deficit to \$8,753 million. Irregular factors accounted for some \$550 million of this increase, reflecting not only the special dividend payments of the fourth quarter but also the aid granted to certain developing countries in the first quarter of the year through the forgiveness of loans to those countries.
- A drop of over \$1.1 billion to \$3,453 million in the net capital inflow in long-term forms, due largely to a net outflow of \$215 million from foreign direct investment in Canada, reflecting a number of acquisitions of controlling blocks of foreign-controlled Canadian companies.
- A fall of almost \$600 million in the net short-term capital inflow mainly due to reduced net inflows through the Canadian banking system, including transactions associated with the recording of the use by the government of its standby credit facility.
- A decline in net official monetary assets of \$3,299 million, reflecting a decrease in reserve assets of \$184 million and an increase in related liabilities of \$3,115 million.
- A 7.7% drop in the external value of the Canadian dollar vis-à-vis the United States dollar to 84.33 U.S. cents at the end of the year, with most of the decline concentrated in the third quarter of the year. Much sharper falls were recorded against most major overseas currencies.

For further information, contact Mr. D.K. McAlister (613-995-0743), Balance of Payments Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. The main tables can be obtained, in machine-readable form, from the CAN-SIM base.

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Dec. 1977	% Change From	
				Nov. 1978	Dec. 1977
Benefits					
Amount paid (\$000)	326,546	333,303	319,439	-2	2
Weeks of benefit (000)	2,853	2,990	3,018	-5	-5
Average weekly benefit (\$)	114.46	111.47	105.84	3	8
Claims received (000)	276	310	317	-11	-13
Beneficiaries (000)	779p	660p	838	18	-7

	To Date		% Change From 12 Months 1978/1977
	1978	1977	
Benefits			
Amount paid (\$000)	4,536,910	3,909,044	16
Weeks of benefit (000)	41,355	38,702	7
Average weekly benefit (\$)	109.71	101.00	9
Claims received (000)	2,809	2,806	—
Beneficiaries(1) (000)	801p	752	7

(1) Monthly average

p Preliminary figures

— Amount too small to be expressed

For further information, order the December 1978 issue of *Preliminary Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001-p) or *Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-001 Quarterly, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact George Fincham (613-992-7461), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Unemployment Insurance Statistics, December 1978 — Advance Information

Claimants receiving unemployment insurance benefits for the week ending December 9 totalled 779,000*, an increase of 18% from November but 7% less than in December 1977. The monthly average of beneficiaries in 1978 was 801,000, up 7% from 1977.

Unemployment insurance benefits paid to beneficiaries in December amounted to \$327* million, down 2% from November but 2% more than in December 1977. The payout for the calendar year 1978 was \$4,537 million compared with \$3,909 million in 1977, an increase of 16%. The average weekly benefit rose 9% to \$109.71 while the number of weeks of benefit paid went up 7% to 41.36 million.

Some 276,000 claims were filed in December by persons applying for benefits, down 11% from November and 13% from December 1977. For the calendar year 1978, a total of 2,809,000 claims were received, about the same volume as in the previous year.

* The count of beneficiaries cannot be related to the benefit payments made during a month. Whereas the latter figure covers all benefit payments made during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons receiving benefit for a specific week each month.

Feed Price Indexes, January 1979 — Advance Information

Feed price indexes, Canada and five geographical regions, are now available for January.

For further information, contact the Information Unit (613-995-5738 or 5739), Industrial Prices Section, Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Sales Financing, December 1978 — Advance Information

Sales finance companies purchased \$296.2 million of retail finance paper in December, an increase of 29.4% from the \$228.9 million purchased in December 1977. Total purchases comprised \$53.4 million for passenger cars, \$46.2 million for other consumer goods, \$108.0 million for commercial vehicles and \$88.6 million for other commercial and industrial goods.

Wholesale financing undertaken by these companies during the fourth quarter of 1978 amounted to \$2,389.5 million, up 13.5% over the October-December 1977 total of \$2,106.0 million.

For further information, order the December issue of *Sales Financing* (63-013, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Data users should note that this marks the final issue of catalogue 63-013. Users are referred to the quarterly publication *Financial Institutions*, *Financial Statistics* (61-006) for statistics relating to financial corporations.

Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act, Report for 1976, Part I — Corporations

The leading 500 enterprises accounted for 53% of all Canadian sales and 64% of profits of non-financial corporations in 1976. The 500 represent less than 0.25% of all such companies operating in Canada.

The figures are released in the *Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act Report for 1976, Part I*, tabled yesterday in Parliament. The report covers the activities of 230,262 non-financial companies.

The document, prepared by Statistics Canada, also shows the same 500 groups were responsible for 65% of total assets, 67% of equity and 79% of payments made to non-residents.

The foreign-controlled sector was dominant, with 275 of the 500 enterprises.

Differences between Canadian and foreign-controlled enterprises were particularly evident in the leading 25. Of these, 16 were Canadian and nine foreign-controlled.

Within this class, which accounted for 21% of sales, 30% of assets, 24% of profits and 27% of equity, the foreign-controlled sector had a turnover ratio over two times higher than its Canadian counterpart and was more profitable.

Among the 68,429 enterprises for whom ownership information is available (all corporations with assets of over \$250,000 or annual sales of \$500,000), those foreign-controlled numbered 3,630 and Canadian-controlled 64,462 private and 337 public companies.

The 3,630 entities classified to foreign control accounted for 34.9% of all Canadian sales, 31% of assets, 46% of profits and 80.4% of payments to non-residents.

The 64,462 enterprises classified to Canadian control in the private sector accounted for 53.4% of sales, 46% of assets, 43% of profits and 19.6% of payments to non-residents; those in the public sector, 5.4% of sales, 18.8% of assets, 7.3% of profits (payments to non-residents not available).

Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act, Report for 1976, Part I — Corporations (catalogue 61-210) is available free from Publications Distribution, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. For further information, contact Peter Blitt or Ross Vani (613-995-9804), Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

The following are the main findings of the report:

- **Assets** — the share of total assets held by non-financial foreign-controlled corporations declined by 1.4% to 31.0% in 1976. This was mainly attributable to large capital expenditures in the Canadian-controlled utilities industry and a number of significant takeovers in the resource and aircraft industries by the government sector. Assets of foreign-controlled corporations rose by 6.5% to \$84.5 billion while those of Canadian-controlled corporations rose by 13.8% to \$177.0 billion.
- **Sales** — the share of total sales held by non-financial foreign-controlled corporations was reduced marginally, by 0.6% to 34.9% in 1976. Foreign-controlled corporations reported sales of \$109.8 billion, an increase of 10.8% over 1975. Canadian-controlled corporations reported sales of \$185.2 billion, an increase of 12% over 1975.
- **Profits** — the total share of profits of foreign-controlled corporations rose by 0.7% to 46% in 1976. Profits earned by foreign-controlled corporations

rose by 4.9% to \$8.9 billion while profits of corporations identified as Canadian-controlled rose by 2.4% to \$9.7 billion. Corporations too small to be classified experienced a 5.6% decline in profits.

- **Taxable Income** — the share of total taxable income of non-financial industries generated by foreign-controlled corporations fell to 49% in 1976 from its peak of 53% in 1975. The elimination of the deduction of provincial mining royalties from income increased taxable income of foreign-controlled corporations by 23% between 1974 and 1975. The granting of a 25% resource allowance deduction in January 1976 allowed taxable income to decline by 11%, causing a reversal of the 1975 situation.
- **Payments to Non-residents** — payments to non-residents, totalling \$3,768 million were \$62 million higher than in 1975. Interest payments continued to rise in 1976 reaching \$845 million, up \$53 million over 1975. Dividend payments to non-residents declined by \$73 million (5%) to \$1,360 million in 1976. Business service payments increased by \$81 million to \$1,562 million with the largest increases occurring in the manufacturing industries, particularly in transportation equipment.

Within the Foreign Sector

Within the foreign sector corporations classified to United States control have had a dominant position, particularly in terms of profits. In 1976 such corporations accounted for 75% of the assets and 79% of the sales of foreign-controlled non-financial firms, basically unchanged from 1975. In terms of profits, U.S.-controlled corporations increased their share of the foreign sector by almost a full percentage point to a level of 84%. Corporations classified to British control accounted for a further 10% of assets, 9% of sales and 6% of profits within the foreign sector. In terms of assets the remaining classifications within the foreign sector may be ranked as follows: other OECD, Netherlands, other foreign, France, Japan and West Germany.

Leading Enterprises

The leading 500 enterprises accounted for 53% of total sales, 65% of assets, 67% of equity, 64% of profits and 79% of total payments made to non-residents, while in number they represented less than 0.25% of all non-financial enterprises. The foreign-controlled sector was dominant in financial terms and accounted for 275 of the 500.

Differences between Canadian and foreign-controlled enterprises were particularly evident in the leading 25. Within this group, which accounted for 21% of sales, 30% of assets, 24% of profits and 27% of equity, the foreign-controlled sector had a turnover ratio over two times higher than its Canadian counterpart and was more profitable.

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Percentage of Sales, Assets, Profits and Payments to Non-residents Accounted for by Leading Enterprises Ranked in Terms of Sales, by Control

1975 and 1976

	Sales		Assets		Profits		Payments to Non-residents	
	1975	1976	1975	1976	1975	1976	1975	1976
25 Leading Enterprises								
Foreign	9.2	9.2	5.4	5.4	10.2	10.6	22.1	23.8
Canadian private sector	7.6	7.6	10.0	9.9	8.5	8.6	9.5	8.6
Canadian public sector	4.0	4.1	13.8	14.2	3.5	5.0	—	—
Total	20.8	20.8	29.2	29.5	22.2	24.2	31.6	32.4
100 Leading Enterprises								
Foreign	18.2	18.1	14.5	14.4	23.8	24.2	38.9	42.3
Canadian private sector	13.4	13.7	16.7	16.1	15.0	12.8	12.2	11.8
Canadian public sector	4.5	4.5	15.4	16.0	4.3	6.2	—	—
Total	36.0	36.3	46.5	46.5	43.1	43.2	51.2	54.1
500 Leading Enterprises								
Foreign	28.2	27.8	24.5	23.6	37.1	36.6	65.8	66.4
Canadian private sector	20.0	20.3	23.6	22.9	23.4	20.6	17.4	16.7
Canadian public sector	4.9	5.1	16.8	18.1	5.1	6.9	—	—
Total	53.1	53.1	65.0	64.6	65.6	64.2	83.2	83.1
1,000 Leading Enterprises								
Foreign	31.2	30.6	27.5	26.3	40.2	40.4	72.8	73.6
Canadian private sector	23.2	23.4	26.1	25.4	25.8	22.8	18.2	17.7
Canadian public sector	5.0	5.2	17.2	18.3	5.3	7.0	—	—
Total	59.4	59.2	70.8	70.1	71.3	70.2	91.0	91.2
All non-financial enterprises								
Foreign	35.5	34.9	32.3	31.0	45.3	46.0	79.7	80.4
Canadian private sector	52.7	53.4	45.8	46.0	45.1	43.0	20.3	19.6
Canadian public sector	5.3	5.4	17.6	18.8	5.6	7.3	—	—
Total classified	93.5	93.7	95.7	95.8	96.0	96.3	100.0	100.0
Total unclassified	6.5	6.3	4.3	4.2	4.0	3.7	—	—
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

— Nil.

Selected Principal Statistics for Broom, Brush and Mop Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3991		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	53	49	-7.5
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,523	1,472	-3.4
Man-hours paid	000's	3,133	3,062	-2.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	11,518	12,520	8.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	510	615	20.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	31,332	31,235	-0.3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	60,946	62,620	2.7
Value added	\$000	29,144	31,812	9.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,054	2,032	-1.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	18,833	20,651	9.6
Total value added	\$000	33,945	36,530	7.6

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries, 1977* (47-205, \$1.05).

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural)

		1978		1979	
		Year-to-Date	January	Year-to-Date	January
		20	20	20	20
Carriers Reporting					
Passenger Revenue Earned					
Intercity & Rural Services	\$	9,778,577r*	9,778,577r*	8,792,794*	8,792,794*
Urban-Suburban Services	\$	30,841r	30,841r	31,226	31,226
Other Services (e.g. charter)	\$	2,971,642r	2,971,642r	2,970,883	2,970,883
Fare Passengers Carried					
Intercity & Rural Services	No.	2,474,525r*	2,474,525r*	2,222,803*	2,222,803*
Urban-Suburban Services	No.	62,496r	62,496r	48,350	48,350
Other Services (e.g. charter)	No.	**	**	**	**
Total Distance Run					
Intercity & Rural Services	miles:	8,769,556r*	8,769,566r*	7,921,129*	7,921,129*
	km:	14 113 232r*	14 113 232r*	12 747 820*	12 747 820*
Urban-Suburban Services	miles:	39,342r	39,342r	39,877	39,877
	km:	63 315r	63 315r	64 176	64 176
Other Services (e.g. charter)	miles:	2,436,601r	2,436,601r	2,243,393	2,243,393
	km:	3 921 329r	3 921 329r	3 610 390	3 610 390
Fuel Consumed					
Diesel Oil	gal.:	1,462,466r	1,462,466r	1,339,147	1,339,147
	litres:	6 648 502r	6 648 502r	6 087 881	6 087 881
Gasoline	gal.:	328,540r	328,540r	354,207	354,207
	litres:	1 493 572r	1 493 572r	1 610 256	1 610 256

* Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

** The number of fare passengers carried for "Other Services" is not kept by all carriers.

r Revised figures.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), January 1979 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily. The accompanying table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available. Figures have been added showing total distance run and fuel consumed, using the International System of Units; this is the most modern version of the metric system, supported by the International Bureau of Weights and Measures and is the system of units which Canada is adopting.

The following observations apply to the data in this release:

- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of over-all charter and contract operations;
- Passengers paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and travelling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only;
- Total distance run in a revenue service includes distance run empty which was necessary to provide the revenue service.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Urban Transit, January 1979 — Advance Information. In January, 59 urban transit systems collected 106,792,277 initial passenger fares. The total distance run was 34,088,156 miles (54 859 569 km) and operating revenues amounted to \$39,270,186.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and

Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6 or order the January issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50).

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, January 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary statistics for January show that 1.2 million United States visitors entered Canada, up 7.3% from January 1978. (It should be noted though that last January's figures were down 7.3% because of the bad weather experienced across the eastern part of the United States; this year's increase brings the number of U.S. visitors back to the 1977 level.) Canadian residents returning from the U.S. numbered 2.1 million, a decrease of 3.6% from January 1978. Visitors entering Canada from countries other than the U.S. totalled 42,800, up 6.4%, while Canadian travellers returning from these countries increased by 0.8% to 191,300.

Long-term travellers from the U.S. (including overnight or longer auto and bus traffic and all plane, boat and train entries) were up 5.3% in January 1979 while Canadians returning from the U.S. decreased only slightly (0.1%). Tourists from other countries (excluding those arriving by land via the U.S. and entering and leaving on the same day) increased by 6.3% whereas Canadian long-term travellers returning from these countries were slightly higher (0.8%).

For further information, order the January issue of *International Travel — Advance Information* (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. Mike Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day Period Ended February 21, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,142,159	1,830,379	3,972,538
Short tons, 1978	2,494,775	2,098,251	4,593,026
Metric tonnes, 1979	1 943 334	1 660 492	3 603 826
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 263 222	1 903 501	4 166 723
% change	-14.1	-12.8	-13.5
Cars, 1979	36,942	28,132	65,074
Cars, 1978	40,416	31,446	71,862
% change	-8.6	-10.5	-9.4
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	168,357	59,247	227,604
Short tons, 1978	184,003	57,579	241,582
Metric tonnes, 1979	152 731	53 748	206 479
Metric tonnes, 1978	166 925	52 235	219 160
% change	-8.5	2.9	-5.8
Cars, 1979	5,079	2,295	7,374
Cars, 1978	5,370	2,357	7,727
% change	-5.4	-2.6	-4.6
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	16,401,061	14,750,075	31,151,136
Short tons, 1978	17,125,194	14,358,448	31,483,642
Metric tonnes, 1979	14 878 792	13 381 043	28 259 835
Metric tonnes, 1978	15 535 715	13 025 765	28 561 480
% change	-4.2	2.7	-1.1
Cars, 1979	268,152	218,813	486,965
Cars, 1978	272,781	217,892	490,673
% change	-1.7	-0.4	-0.8
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	1,110,771	440,389	1,551,160
Short tons, 1978	1,171,760	413,525	1,585,285
Metric tonnes, 1979	1 007 674	399 514	1 407 188
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 063 003	375 144	1 438 147
% change	-5.2	6.5	-2.1
Cars, 1979	33,997	17,070	51,067
Cars, 1978	34,517	16,698	51,215
% change	-1.5	2.2	-0.3

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended February 21, 1979
 — Published Only in the *Statistics Canada Daily*

Canadian rail freight loadings totalled 3.6 million t (4.0 million short tons) in the third week of February, a decrease of 13.5% from the same seven days in 1978. Volume in both divisions of the country declined in the latest week with traffic losses of 14.1% in the East and 12.8% in the West.

Container-trailer (piggyback) loadings (included above) were down from the year-earlier level by 5.8% despite a gain of 2.9% in the West.

In the January 1 to February 21, 1979 period, Canadian railways loaded 28.3 million t (31.2 million short tons) of revenue freight, a decline of 1.1% from 1978. Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic

was down 2.1% from the preceding year; and the total number of freight cars loaded was off 0.8% to 486,965 units.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Folding Carton and Set-up Box Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2731		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	101	97	-3.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	6,024	5,830	-3.2
Man-hours paid	000's	12,483	12,196	-2.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	68,812	73,784	7.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,779	3,141	13.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	192,311	205,985	7.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	349,824	378,167	8.1
Value added	\$000	163,484	164,827	0.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	7,574	7,283	-3.9
Total salaries and wages	\$000	93,366	99,620	6.7
Total value added	\$000	165,085	165,350	0.2

For further information, contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Folding Carton and Set-up Box Manufacturers, 1977* (36-214, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Ophthalmic Goods Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3914		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	120	122	1.7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,745	2,538	-7.5
Man-hours paid	000's	5,647	4,993	-11.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	22,113	21,689	-1.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	572	510	-10.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	40,873	39,614	-3.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	82,109	81,268	-1.0
Value added	\$000	40,913	41,776	2.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	3,841	3,527	-8.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	35,143	36,001	2.4
Total value added	\$000	56,747	55,159	-2.8

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Scientific and Professional Equipment Industries, 1977* (47-206, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Jewellery and Silverware Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3920		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	259	269	3.8
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	5,562	5,298	-4.8
Man-hours paid	000's	11,612	11,031	-5.1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	48,310	51,172	5.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,238	1,505	21.5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	185,869	221,396	19.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	302,843	340,728	12.5
Value added	\$000	115,312	130,169	12.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	6,944	6,684	-3.7
Total salaries and wages	\$000	69,746	73,449	5.3
Total value added	\$000	124,989	138,095	10.4

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Jewellery and Silverware Industry, 1977* (47-211, 70¢).

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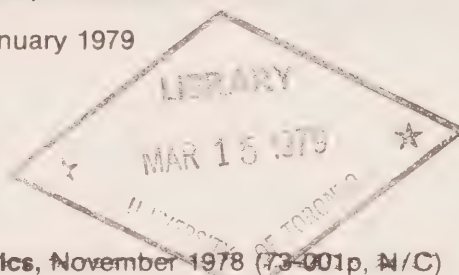
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New Motor Vehicle Sales, January 1979 — Advance Information

New motor vehicles sold in January totalled 88,454 units, up 4.9% from a year earlier. This included 54,688 passenger cars (up 10.2%) and 25,440 commercial vehicles (up 7.9%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S., and 7,653 passenger cars (down 25.7%) and 673 commercial vehicles (down 19.3%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value increased 17.2% to \$675.1 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$376.0 million (up 18.0%) and commercial vehicles for \$243.5 million (up 22.7%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas decreased 5.3% to \$51.2 million and those of commercial vehicles decreased 3.4% to \$4.4 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 231 units of coaches and buses valued at \$7.7 million.

Seasonally-adjusted January sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. increased 9.8% from December to 67,929 units while those of passenger cars from overseas increased 21.1% to 12,222 units. Similarly-adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were down 0.8% to 30,224 units.

For further information, order the January issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact M. Kwilecki (613-996-9304), Retail Trade Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, December 1978 — Advance Information

Advance information on canned and frozen fruits and vegetables for the month of December is now available.

For further information, order the December issue of *Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Seed Potato Prices, New Brunswick, January 1979 — Advance Information

The average prices paid to New Brunswick growers during January for seed potatoes were as follows: Elite 2 and 3, \$4.53 per hundredweight; Foundation, \$3.34 per hundredweight; and Certified, \$2.91 per hundredweight.

For further information, contact K.C. Wardley (613-995-4877), Horticultural Crops Unit, Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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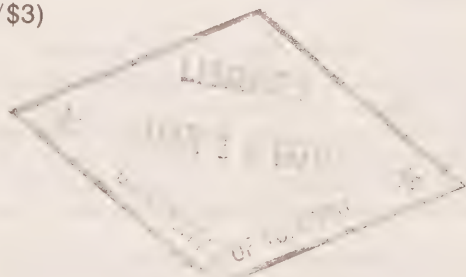
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Coal and Coke Statistics, December 1978 (45-002, 40¢/\$4)

Refined Petroleum Products, November 1978 (45-004, 40¢/\$4)

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Preliminary Homicide Statistics

1977 and 1978

	Murder		Manslaughter		Total Homicide*			
	Victims	Incidents	Victims	Incidents	Victims		Incidents	
					No.	Rate	No.	Rate
1977								
Newfoundland	7	7	1	1	8	1.42	8	1.42
Prince Edward Island	—	—	1	1	1	0.83	1	0.83
Nova Scotia	11	11	3	3	14	1.68	14	1.68
New Brunswick	14	13	24**	4	38	5.54	17	2.48
Quebec	179	157	13	13	194	3.09	172	2.74
Ontario	176	158	13	13	192	2.29	174	2.08
Manitoba	39	37	5	5	44	4.26	42	4.07
Saskatchewan	44	43	2	2	46	4.91	45	4.81
Alberta	63	60	7	7	70	3.68	67	3.53
British Columbia	84	78	6	6	90	3.60	84	3.36
Yukon	4	4	2	2	6	27.90	6	27.90
Northwest Territories	3	3	1	1	4	9.24	4	9.24
Canada	624	571	78	58	707	3.03	634	2.72
1978								
Newfoundland	6	6	1	1	9	1.58	9	1.58
Prince Edward Island	3	3	1	1	4	3.28	4	3.28
Nova Scotia	10	9	3	3	13	1.55	12	1.43
New Brunswick	22	16	5	5	28	4.05	22	3.17
Quebec	161	146	13	9	176	2.80	157	2.50
Ontario	165	154	13	12	182	2.16	170	2.01
Manitoba	45	36	1	1	46	4.46	37	3.58
Saskatchewan	25	25	4	4	31	3.27	31	3.27
Alberta	72	71	11	11	84	4.30	83	4.26
British Columbia	81	79	4	4	85	3.36	83	3.28
Yukon	3	3	—	—	3	13.82	3	13.82
Northwest Territories	3	3	1	1	4	9.20	4	9.20
Canada	596	551	57	52	665	2.83	615	2.62

* Includes infanticide.

** Includes 1 incident involving 21 persons killed in a prison fire.

— Nil.

Note: Rates are expressed per 100,000 population. The estimated population for Canada on June 1 was 23,291,100 in 1977 and 23,481,100 in 1978.

Homicide Statistics, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary statistics for 1978 indicate that the number of homicide offences dropped from 707 (victims) in 1977 to 665 in 1978, a decline of 5.9%. The number of homicide incidents decreased 3.0% from 634 in 1977 to 615 in 1978. (During a homicide incident there may be more than one victim and each victim is counted as one offence.)

The rate of homicide offences was 2.83 per 100,000 population in 1978, a decrease of 6.6% from the 1977 rate.

Further information on these data may be obtained by contacting the Analyst, Homicide Program (613-995-0855), Justice Statistics Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Toys and Games Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3932		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	48	48	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,931	2,713	-7.4
Man-hours paid	000's	6,145	5,720	-6.9
Manufacturing wages	\$000	22,167	22,444	1.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,385	1,431	3.3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	68,190	69,499	1.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	151,461	150,956	-0.3
Value added	\$000	80,172	81,294	1.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	3,792	3,575	-5.7
Total salaries and wages	\$000	34,120	36,787	7.8
Total value added	\$000	89,704	94,928	5.8

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Sporting Goods and Toy Industries, 1977* (47-204, 70¢).

Domestic Air Passenger Origin and Destination, Third Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

Domestic Air Passenger Origin and Destination data are now available for the third quarter of 1978.

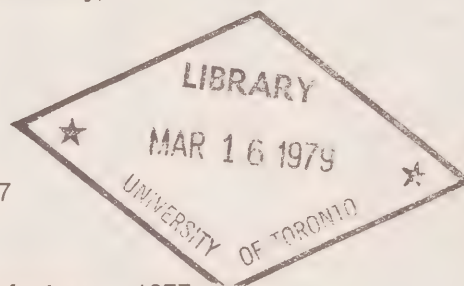
For further information, contact Mrs. J.C. Tessier (819-997-1986), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

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Railway Carloadings, January 1979 (52-001, 30¢/\$3)

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Building Permits

(million of dollars)

		1977					1978				
		Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total	Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total
Canada —	Oct.	631.0	111.6	205.1	83.8	1,031.5	754.1	110.1	319.9	125.7	1,309.8
Unadjusted	Nov.	673.0	72.5	210.5	126.7	1,082.7	591.9	124.5	256.9	116.1	1,089.4
	Dec.	505.7	65.9	200.5	79.9	852.0	486.7	85.6	284.3	156.4	1,013.0
Canada —	Oct.	605.7	90.5	208.3	72.9	977.4	708.0	85.3	295.9	99.3	1,188.3
Adjusted	Nov.	704.8	79.5	196.2	100.7	1,081.2	633.8	148.0	248.9	96.2	1,126.9
	Dec.	787.7	92.0	194.1	80.8	1,154.6	709.5	113.4	298.4	152.0	1,273.3
Canada Jan.-Dec.		7,612.5	1,012.0	2,444.4	1,350.9	12,419.8	7,561.3	1,056.2	3,143.4	1,377.8	13,138.7
Unadjusted											
Newfoundland		54.1	10.7	52.2	11.1	128.1	49.1	4.5	23.9	34.5	112.0
Prince Edward Island		40.1	11.2	8.0	9.7	69.0	39.8	8.2	10.4	32.0	90.4
Nova Scotia		218.3	7.9	49.3	41.2	316.7	213.4	26.9	59.0	62.1	361.4
New Brunswick		105.1	6.4	44.5	22.2	178.2	107.5	13.4	59.4	56.7	237.0
Quebec		1,480.4	244.5	381.7	352.1	2,458.7	1,459.1	225.9	427.6	294.4	2,407.0
Ontario		2,609.4	443.8	711.2	410.8	4,175.2	2,496.1	471.5	972.1	300.3	4,240.0
Manitoba		262.0	25.6	66.5	45.1	399.2	291.6	23.4	93.2	62.6	470.8
Saskatchewan		333.2	19.7	125.1	61.5	539.5	279.4	12.7	116.9	77.7	486.7
Alberta		1,442.2	138.5	619.0	175.1	2,374.8	1,649.4	157.9	955.7	272.1	3,035.1
British Columbia		1,050.0	103.5	384.4	213.4	1,751.3	955.2	108.9	412.8	178.4	1,655.3
N.W.T. and Yukon		17.7	0.2	2.5	8.7	29.1	20.7	2.9	12.4	7.0	43.0

Building Permits, December 1978 — Advance Information

Building permits issued in December reached a seasonally-adjusted level of \$1,273 million compared to a revised \$1,127 million in November.

Residential permits rose to a seasonally-adjusted total of \$710 million from \$634 million in November with several large apartment projects authorized in medium-sized localities. Municipalities processed builders' applications for 8,157 single dwellings (8,884 in November) and 14,374 multiples (9,489 in November).

In the non-residential sector, the value of permits issued in December was higher in all categories of construction: industrial, \$113 million (\$92 million in November); commercial, \$298 million (\$249 million); and institutional, \$152 million (\$96 million).

Canadian municipalities issued permits for \$13,139 million of building construction during 1978 compared to \$12,420 million in 1977. Commercial construction

provided the main contribution to the 5.8% increase. Provincially, the value of construction authorized rose in six provinces: Prince Edward Island (31.0%), Nova Scotia (14.1%), New Brunswick (33.0%), Ontario (1.5%), Manitoba (17.9%), and Alberta (27.8%). Decreases were registered in Newfoundland (-12.6%), Quebec (-2.1%), Saskatchewan (-9.8%) and British Columbia (-5.5%). (These percentage changes are based on current dollars without any adjustments for price increases in 1978.)

For further information, order the December issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, 70¢/\$7), or contact J.P. Delisle (613-995-8213), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Building Permits

December 1978

	Number of Dwelling Units			Value of Residential and Non-Residential Construction				
	Singles	Multiples	Total	Residen- tial	Indus- trial	Commer- cial (\$000)	Institu- tional and govern- mental	Total
Newfoundland	13	—	13	917	1,259	423	11,296	13,895
Prince Edward Island	17	69	86	3,420	145	777	75	4,417
Nova Scotia	144	177	321	9,161	17,352	1,778	1,908	30,199
New Brunswick	60	102	162	4,740	1,561	1,414	2,475	10,190
Quebec	729	3,927	4,656	120,362	12,385	37,037	23,824	193,608
Ontario	966	3,178	4,144	120,269	19,099	72,127	18,181	229,676
Manitoba	100	763	863	23,923	2,577	1,868	15,683	44,051
Saskatchewan	199	404	603	19,667	1,803	6,849	20,516	48,835
Alberta	1,240	2,300	3,540	119,854	12,792	120,875	22,713	276,234
British Columbia	659	1,298	1,957	64,274	16,659	41,081	39,684	161,698
Yukon	3	—	3	84	—	42	—	126
Northwest Territories	1	—	1	46	—	61	—	107
Canada — Unadjusted	4,131	12,218	16,349	486,717	85,632	284,332	156,355	1,013,036
Canada — Adjusted	8,157	14,374	22,531	709,500	113,370	298,426	151,970	1,273,266
Metropolitan Areas	2,344	5,904	8,248	265,257	39,542	225,315	118,409	648,523
Calgary	394	295	689	26,523	7,308	88,553	203	122,587
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	9	44	53	1,413	430	1,278	11	3,132
Edmonton	230	795	1,025	36,147	1,509	13,618	12,597	63,871
Halifax	72	24	96	3,496	—	446	399	4,341
Hamilton	59	153	212	5,777	928	8,101	694	15,500
Hull	8	62	70	2,517	20	2,497	—	5,034
Kitchener	107	37	144	5,012	623	12,489	18	18,142
London	81	273	354	6,607	223	707	17	7,554
Montreal	369	1,135	1,504	43,525	5,859	21,267	6,291	76,942
Oshawa	62	248	310	7,499	117	981	217	8,814
Ottawa	44	352	396	10,619	68	4,194	1,618	16,499
Quebec	77	87	164	5,492	1,548	5,072	2,428	14,540
Regina	31	78	109	4,093	432	1,246	19,049	24,820
St. Catharines-Niagara	13	4	17	899	1,591	1,531	1,626	5,647
Saint John	17	4	21	968	75	138	409	1,590
St. John's	9	—	9	343	1,174	226	11,296	13,039
Saskatoon	83	162	245	7,640	154	2,590	33	10,417
Sudbury	2	—	2	130	204	307	59	700
Thunder Bay	22	56	78	2,681	338	3,575	646	7,240
Toronto	173	356	529	25,487	8,979	28,244	9,062	71,772
Vancouver	313	930	1,243	39,162	5,862	25,497	35,580	106,101
Victoria	58	65	123	4,610	136	1,575	148	6,469
Windsor	38	3	41	2,414	380	234	1,116	4,144
Winnipeg	73	741	814	22,203	1,584	949	14,892	39,628

For further information order *Building Permits*, December 1978 (64-001, 70¢/\$7).**Sugar Sales, February 1979 — Advance Information**

Canadian sugar refineries reported total sales of 82 145 434 kilograms (181,099,708 lbs.) of all types of sugar for February 1979. Domestic sales totalled 71 065 512 kilograms (156,672,660 lbs.) and export sales amounted to 11 079 922 kilograms (24,427,048 lbs.).

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

January 1979 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Jan. 1978	% Change	
				Jan. 79/ Dec. 78	Jan. 79/ Jan. 78
Total Index	201.3	200.5	185.2	0.4	8.7
Materials	189.3	187.8	170.8	0.8	10.8
Steel and Metal Work	196.2	192.4	173.4	2.0	13.1
Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning	178.5	177.8	158.3	0.4	12.8
Electrical Equipment	178.4	177.9	161.1	0.3	10.7
Concrete Products	203.6	203.6	197.8	—	2.9
Lumber and Lumber Products	246.0	242.9	200.9	1.3	22.4
Other	180.4	178.9	167.6	0.8	7.6
Labour	214.6	214.5	201.1	—	6.7

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G. John (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Union Wage Rate Indexes including selected pay supplements are now available for January 1979.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Button, Buckle and Fastener Manufacturing Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3992		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	31	27	-12.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,405	1,198	-14.8
Man-hours paid	000's	2,957	2,526	-14.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	11,538	11,223	-2.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	686	813	18.5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	18,641	17,252	-7.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	44,293	42,647	-3.7
Value added	\$000	25,821	25,626	-0.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,809	1,551	-14.3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	17,049	16,456	-3.5
Total value added	\$000	9,424	10,610	12.6

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries, 1977* (47-205, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for Sporting Goods Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3931		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	143	144	0.6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	5,768	4,970	-13.8
Man-hours paid	000's	12,118	10,442	-13.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	49,686	47,429	-4.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,293	2,364	3.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	109,400	108,312	-1.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	218,515	215,582	-1.3
Value added	\$000	116,595	104,467	-10.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	7,272	6,214	-14.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	69,734	65,080	-6.7
Total value added	\$000	132,376	112,563	-15.0

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Sporting Goods and Toy Industries, 1977* (47-204, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Textile Dyeing and Finishing Plants

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1894		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	74	65	-12.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	3,341	2,548	-23.7
Man-hours paid	000's	6,908	5,366	-22.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	26,961	22,561	-16.3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	4,871	4,921	1.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	30,432	27,247	-10.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	95,323	75,679	-20.6
Value added	\$000	57,432	43,833	-23.7
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	3,757	2,890	-23.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	32,750	27,468	-16.1
Total value added	\$000	57,502	43,600	-24.2

For further information, contact E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Textile Industries, 1977* (34-210, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for Miscellaneous Clothing Industries (N.E.S.)

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2499		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	41	44	7.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	882	1,171	32.8
Man-hours paid	000's	1,791	2,368	32.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	6,112	9,228	51.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	132	187	41.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	12,556	18,900	50.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	28,104	40,793	45.1
Value added	\$000	15,639	22,076	41.2
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,045	1,396	33.6
Total salaries and wages	\$000	8,824	12,960	46.9
Total value added	\$000	16,624	24,720	48.7

For further information, contact E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Clothing Industries, 1977* (34-218, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Automobile Fabric Accessories Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1880		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	20	20	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,806	5,654	17.6
Man-hours paid	000's	9,931	11,375	14.5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	61,215	73,953	20.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,735	2,408	38.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	165,158	187,393	13.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	305,533	348,586	14.1
Value added	\$000	139,791	162,994	16.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	5,557	6,539	17.7
Total salaries and wages	\$000	73,378	89,840	22.4
Total value added	\$000	138,152	160,943	16.5

For further information, contact E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Automobile Fabric Accessories Industry, 1977* (34-222, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Foundation Garment Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2480		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	30	28	-6.7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,840	2,566	-9.6
Man-hours paid	000's	5,814	5,103	-12.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	20,252	19,527	-3.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	447	491	9.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	32,304	36,544	13.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	74,218	83,335	12.3
Value added	\$000	43,299	46,814	8.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	3,599	3,407	-5.3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	31,279	32,540	4.0
Total value added	\$000	46,317	60,498	30.6

For further information, contact E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Foundation Garment Industry 1977* (34-212, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Embroidery, Pleating and Hemstitching Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1893		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	90	79	-12.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,166	1,243	6.6
Man-hours paid	000's	2,395	2,545	6.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	8,584	10,120	17.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	95	122	28.4
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	7,029	7,691	9.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	22,027	26,276	19.3
Value added	\$000	15,123	18,724	23.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,307	1,379	5.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	10,531	12,498	18.7
Total value added	\$000	15,099	18,764	24.3

For further information, contact E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be Published in *Miscellaneous Textile Industries, 1977* (34-210, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Carpet, Mat and Rug Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1860		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	32	30	-6.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	5,074	4,767	-6.1
Man-hours paid	000's	10,479	9,952	-5.0
Manufacturing wages	\$000	46,088	47,797	3.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	7,319	8,616	17.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	238,213	257,514	8.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	383,608	417,217	8.8
Value added	\$000	149,811	152,541	1.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	7,060	6,863	-2.8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	73,127	78,677	7.6
Total value added	\$000	150,377	152,249	1.2

For further information, contact E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Carpet, Mat and Rug Industry, 1977* (34-221, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Shoe Factories

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 174		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	154	156	1.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	14,219	12,308	-13.4
Man-hours paid	000's	29,036	25,493	-12.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	105,999	100,886	-4.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,795	2,075	15.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	197,527	190,405	-3.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	396,923	393,242	-0.9
Value added	\$000	206,550	206,825	0.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	16,491	14,498	-12.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	136,441	133,123	-2.4
Total value added	\$000	214,542	213,296	-0.6

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Shoe Factories and Boot and Shoe Findings Manufacturers, 1977* (33-203, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Narrow Fabric Mills

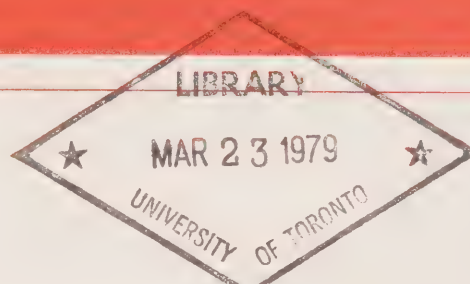
1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1892		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	38	37	-2.6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,672	1,595	-4.6
Man-hours paid	000's	3,480	3,338	-4.1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	12,175	13,173	8.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	709	825	16.4
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	24,142	26,924	11.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	54,949	58,433	6.3
Value added	\$000	30,856	30,671	-0.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,171	2,117	-2.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	18,498	20,144	8.9
Total value added	\$000	32,084	31,746	-1.1

For further information, contact E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Textile Industries, 1977* (34-210, \$1.05).

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Department Store Sales by Regions, January 1979 (63-004, \$1.50 a year)

Occupational Composition of Canadian Migration (99-752E, \$1.40)

Provincial Census Tracts: Reference Maps, Atlantic Provinces, 1976 Census of Canada (95-851, \$3)

Financial Flow Accounts, Third Quarter 1978 (13-002, \$1.75/\$7)

Fruit and Vegetable Preparations, Quarter Ended December 31, 1978 (32-017, 35¢/\$1.40)

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Soaps and Synthetic Detergents, December 1978 (46-003, 30¢/\$3)**Electric Lamps, January 1979 (43-009, 15¢/\$1.50)****Service Bulletin:**

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 7, No. 7, Pack of Canned Tomatoes and Tomato Products, 1978

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending February 28, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,330,119	2,127,963	4,458,082
Short tons, 1978	2,693,081	2,161,767	4,854,848
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 113 848	1 930 456	4 044 304
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 443 122	1 961 122	4 404 244
% change	-13.5	-1.6	-8.2
Cars, 1979	38,561	30,989	69,550
Cars, 1978	43,966	32,494	76,460
% change	-12.3	-4.6	-9.0
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	171,543	67,938	239,481
Short tons, 1978	169,822	56,922	226,744
Metric tonnes, 1979	155 621	61 632	217 253
Metric tonnes, 1978	154 060	51 639	205 699
% change	1.0	19.4	5.6
Cars, 1979	5,267	2,452	7,719
Cars, 1978	5,154	2,411	7,565
% change	2.2	1.7	2.0
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	18,730,432	16,878,038	35,608,470
Short tons, 1978	19,818,275	16,520,215	36,338,490
Metric tonnes, 1979	16 991 962	15 311 499	32 303 461
Metric tonnes, 1978	17 978 837	14 986 887	32 965 724
% change	-5.5	2.2	-2.0
Cars, 1979	306,705	249,802	556,507
Cars, 1978	316,747	250,386	567,133
% change	-3.2	-0.2	-1.9
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	1,282,314	508,327	1,790,641
Short tons, 1978	1,341,582	470,447	1,812,029
Metric tonnes, 1979	1 163 296	461 146	1 624 442
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 217 063	426 782	1 643 845
% change	-4.4	8.1	-1.2
Cars, 1979	39,264	19,522	58,786
Cars, 1978	39,671	19,109	58,780
% change	-1.0	2.2	—

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ending February 28, 1979
— Published Only in the *Statistics Canada Daily*

Loadings of revenue freight by railways in Canada totalled 4.0 million t (4.5 million short tons) in the above-noted period, a decrease of 8.2% from the corresponding seven days in 1978. Tonnage decreased by 13.5% in the East and 1.6% in the West.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments (included above) rose 1.0% in the East and 19.4% in the West to register an over-all increase of 5.6%.

In the period January 1 to February 28, 1979, freight loaded by rail in Canada aggregated 32.3 million t (35.6 million short tons), down 2.0% from the same

period in 1978. Loadings in the East were down 5.5%, while Western loadings showed a gain of 2.2%. Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic was 1.2% below the 1978 level.

For further information, contact Mr. M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Operating Statistics, November 1978 — Advance Information

Canada's six major railways reported combined net income of \$25.2 million in November, up 14.0% from November 1977. Operating revenues rose 15.9% to \$339.2 million while operating expenses increased by 16.1% to \$314.0 million.

Revenue freight ton-miles were up 13.0% in November 1978; freight train-miles rose 6.5%; and freight car-miles increased 9.4%. Average revenue per ton-mile of freight was 2.249 cents compared to 2.190 cents in November 1977. Passenger-miles decreased 26.6%, reflecting the loss of some Canadian National and Canadian Pacific passenger services to VIA Rail Canada.

For the first 11 months of 1978, railway operating revenues increased 10.0% and operating expenses were up 9.3%. Net income rose 20.1% to \$228.6 million. Cumulative ton-miles showed an increase of 1.7% and passenger-miles increased 6.1%.

For further information, order the November issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Farm Cash Receipts, January 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates indicate that during the month of January 1979 farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland totalled \$1,387.6 million compared to the \$1,263.4 million realized during January 1978. These estimates include: cash receipts from the sale of farm products; Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous years' grain crops; cash advances on farm-stored grains in Western Canada; and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No deduction is made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

For further information, order the January issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Peter Lys (613-995-4895), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Total Cash Receipts from Farming Operations

January 1979 and 1978
(millions of dollars)

	1978	1979
Prince Edward Island	7.8	11.6
Nova Scotia	11.2	13.0
New Brunswick	8.4	11.5
Quebec	106.4	134.5
Ontario	249.5	297.0
Manitoba	97.3	115.6
Saskatchewan	469.6	466.5
Alberta	276.2	296.3
British Columbia	37.0	41.6
Canada	1,263.4	1,387.6

Department Store Sales by Regions, January 1979

Department store sales rose to \$482.8 million in January, an increase of 13.1% from a year earlier. Sales were up in all regions of Canada.

Department store sales by regions for the latest month, with percentage increases from January 1978 in brackets:

- Ontario, \$171.9 million (8.2%).
- Quebec, \$94.8 million (18.5%).
- British Columbia, \$80.4 million (13.5%).
- Alberta, \$70.0 million (20.2%).
- Atlantic Provinces, \$26.6 million (13.7%).
- Manitoba, \$25.8 million (7.5%).
- Saskatchewan, \$13.3 million (16.8%).

For further information, order the January issue of *Department Store Sales by Regions* (63-004, \$1.50 a year).

Fur Production, 1977-78 — Advance Information

Value of pelts sold during the 1977-78 season reached \$73,220,159, up 2% from the previous season. Wildlife pelts brought in \$47,675,472 or 65% of the total. Fur farm production accounted for \$25,544,687, up from \$24,255,085 in the 1976-77 season.

For further information, order the 1977-78 issue of *Fur Production* (23-207, 70¢), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4853), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Fish Freezings and Stocks, December 1978 — Advance Information

Advance data from the Fish Freezings and Stocks report for the month of December are now available.

For further information, order the December issue of *Fish Freezings and Stocks* (24-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes, January 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 4,759,593 phonograph records in January, down from 5,003,099 in January 1978. Production of pre-recorded tapes (8-track cartridges and cassettes only) increased to 1,072,727 from 934,654.

For further information, order the January issue of *Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes In Canada* (47-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory Services staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island by telephoning 1-800-565-7192. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Asbestos, January 1979 — Advance Information
Producers' shipments of asbestos increased to 119,537 short tons in January from 95,503 short tons in January 1978.

For further information, order the January issue of *Production of Canada's Leading Minerals* (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact John Brennan (613-995-9351), Statistics Section, Information Systems Division, Mineral Policy Sector, Energy, Mines and Resources, Ottawa K1A 0E4.

Salt, January 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian shipments of salt and salt content of brine increased to 791,225 short tons in January from 743,752 short tons a year earlier.

For further information, order the January issue of *Production of Canada's Leading Minerals* (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact John Brennan (613-995-9351), Statistics Section, Information Systems Division, Mineral Policy Sector, Energy, Mines and Resources, Ottawa K1A 0E4.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended March 10, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended March 10 was 315,861 short tons (286 544 t), a decrease of 10.4% from the preceding week's total of 352,659 short tons (319 927 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 312,763 short tons (283 734 t).

The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 172.4 in the current week, 192.5 a week earlier and 170.7 a year earlier.

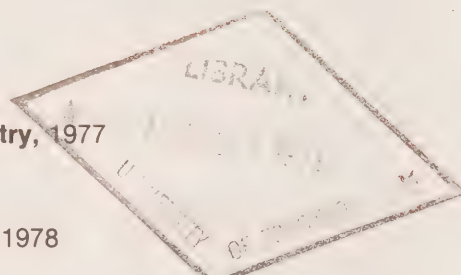
For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Publication to be Continued

The monthly report *Electric Lamps* (catalogue 43-009), which was included in the list of Statistics Canada publications to be discontinued due to budgetary reductions (*Daily* of November 2, 1978), has been reinstated effective with the January 1979 issue.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Amendment to CANSIM Mini Base Series Directory, March 1979 (N/C to paid subscribers of 12-204E)

Corporation Financial Statistics, 1976 (61-207, \$2.80)

Vocational and Technical Training, 1976-77 (81-209, \$1.05)

Commercial Failures, Fourth Quarter 1978 (61-002, 70¢/\$2.80)

Shipping Statistics, November 1978 (54-002, 30¢/\$3)
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Supplementary Bulletins: Economic Characteristics — Female Labour Force Participation Rates by Level of Schooling, Age, Marital Status and Presence of Children, 1976 Census of Canada (94-836, \$1.50)

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, February 1979 (32-012, 30¢/\$3)

Tobacco and Tobacco Products Statistics, October-December 1978 (32-014, 70¢/\$2.80)

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products, October 1978 (62-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing (1971=100)

	Relative Im- portance(1)	Index		Percent Change		Percent Contribution to Total Change	
		Jan.* 1979	Dec.* 1978	Jan. 1978	Jan. '79/ Dec. '78	Jan. '79/ Dec. '78	Jan. '79/ Jan. '78
Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing	100.0	201.4	198.4	181.5	1.5	11.0	100.0
SIC Major Groups:							
1. Food and Beverage Industries	19.9	219.7	214.8	192.8	2.3	14.0	26.6
2. Tobacco Products Industries	1.1	152.6	151.7	145.9	0.6	4.6	0.4
3. Rubber and Plastics Products Industries	2.5	162.2	160.8	152.9	0.9	6.1	1.2
4. Leather Industries	0.9	211.4	204.9	180.9	3.2	16.9	1.3
5. Textile Industries	3.5	168.4	165.2	154.9	1.9	8.7	2.4
6. Knitting Mills	0.9	146.0	143.9	136.4	1.5	7.0	0.4
8. Wood Industries	4.7	245.6	241.3	208.9	1.8	17.6	8.6
9. Furniture and Fixture Industries	1.6	190.6	190.6	177.7	0.0	7.3	1.0
10. Paper and Allied Industries	8.2	223.0	217.3	193.8	2.6	15.1	11.9
12. Primary Metal Industries	8.4	224.9	220.7	196.9	1.9	14.2	11.6
13. Metal Fabricating Industries	7.5	198.7	196.6	179.0	1.1	11.0	7.3
14. Machinery Industries	4.4	174.3	173.1	164.3	0.7	6.1	2.2
16. Electrical Products Industries	6.8	160.6	159.9	153.2	0.4	4.8	2.5
17. Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries	3.2	194.9	194.9	188.6	0.0	3.3	1.0
18. Petroleum and Coal Products Industries	4.2			256.0			
19. Chemical and Chemical Products Industries	6.6	198.5	194.8	183.7	1.9	8.1	4.8
Other Major Groups(2)	15.6	168.1	167.0	155.9	0.7	7.8	9.4

* These indexes are preliminary.

(1) Group weights are based on 1971 value of shipments (Census of Manufactures, 1971)

(2) Included are the following major groups: 7. Clothing Industries, 15. Transportation Equipment Industries, 20. Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing (1971=100), January 1979 — Advance Information

The Industry Selling Price Index for manufacturing rose 1.5% in January 1979 to 201.4 from its revised December level of 198.4. The index was 11.0% higher than in January 1978 when it stood at 181.5. The major groups having the most impact on the total index in January were food and beverage industries, paper and allied industries and primary metal industries.

The food and beverage group index rose 2.3% due mainly to price increases of 4.4% for slaughtering and meat processors (a rise of 14.4% in fresh/frozen beef prices was partly offset by a decrease of 4.9% for fresh/frozen pork); 14.5% for flour and breakfast cereal products; 7.0% for the bakeries industry (the federal government subsidy on domestically-consumed wheat ended January 1); and 1.6% for the dairy products industry (affected by changes in the target returns for industrial milk based on the Canadian Dairy Commission's support prices for butter and skim milk powder which were increased January 2).

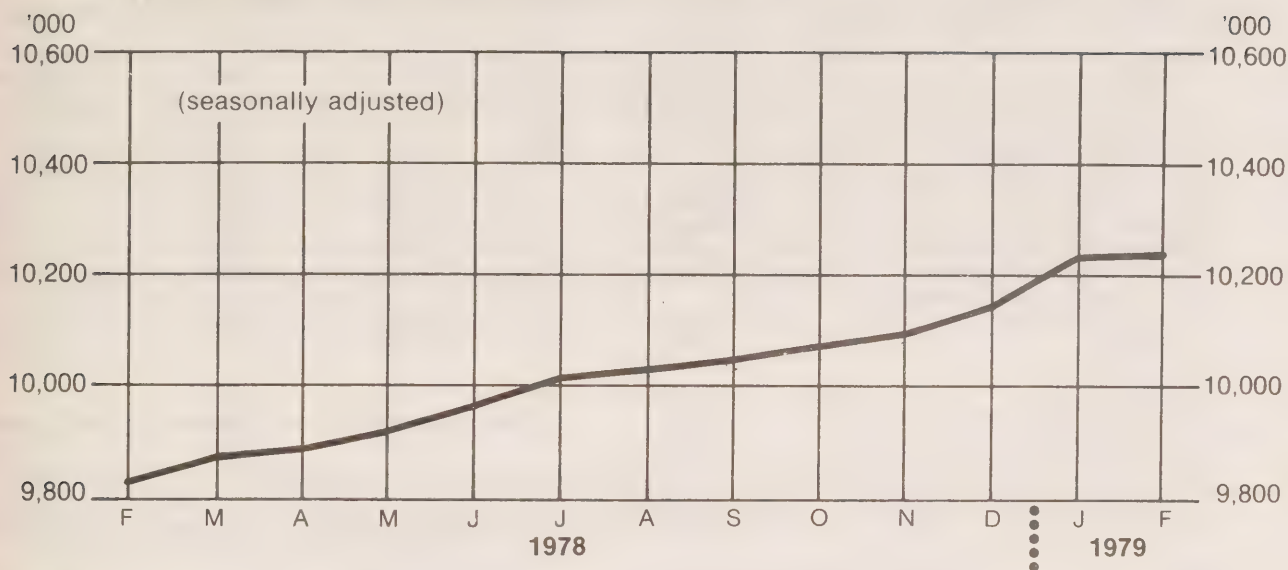
An increase of 2.6% in the paper and allied industries index mostly reflected increases of 2.8% for pulp and paper mills (an industry in which there is a large element of export pricing) and 3.7% for miscellaneous paper converters.

The primary metal group index registered a 1.9% rise which was accounted for mainly by increases of 1.5% for smelting and refining, 1.2% for iron and steel mills, 6.2% for steel pipe and tube mills and 4.9% for aluminum rolling, casting and extruding.

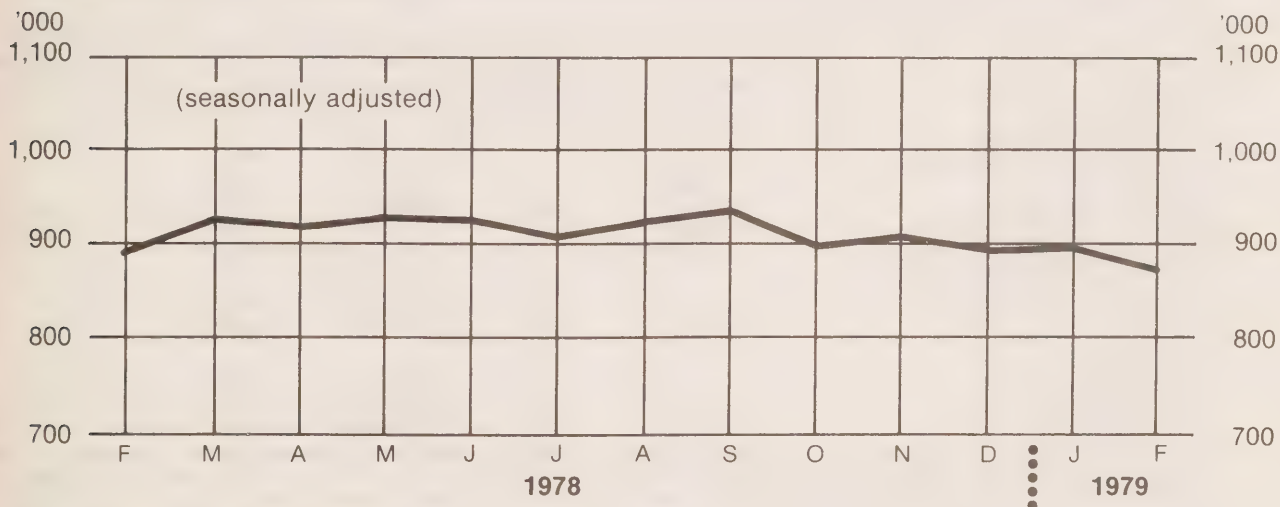
The year-to-year change of 11.0% in the total Industry Selling Price Index was the largest since June 1975 when the 12-month change was 11.8%. The main contributors to the over-all rise were the indices for food and beverage industries (up 14.0%), paper and allied products (up 15.1%) and primary metal industries (up 14.2%).

For further information, order the January issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Information Unit, Industrial Prices (613-995-5738), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Employment, Canada



Unemployment, Canada



The Labour Force, February 1979

Unemployment declined in February while employment held steady, and Canada's seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate decreased to 7.9% from 8.1% in January. The rate in February 1978 was 8.3%. The seasonally-adjusted participation rate decreased to 63.2% in February from 63.4% in the preceding month. The employment/population ratio was 58.2%, down from 58.3% in January.

Last month, the seasonally-adjusted unemployment level at 872,000 dropped 25,000 from the month before. The level declined by 21,000 for men 25 years of age and over and by 8,000 for women 15 to 24. It increased by 5,000 for men 15-24 and showed little change for women 25 and over.

Employment, seasonally adjusted, totalled 10,233,000, almost even with January. The employment level increased by 9,000 for men 25 and over and by 3,000 for women of the same age group. It declined by 10,000 for men 15-24.

Seasonally-adjusted unemployment rates for the provinces, with January rates in brackets: Newfoundland 17.1% (17.6%); Prince Edward Island 10.8% (11.3%); Nova Scotia 10.5% (11.5%); New Brunswick 11.6% (11.6%); Quebec 10.2% (10.7%); Ontario 6.6% (6.8%); Manitoba 5.6% (5.4%); Saskatchewan 4.7% (5.1%); Alberta 4.3% (4.0%); and British Columbia 8.5% (8.2%).

Without seasonal adjustment, the February labour force was 10,812,000 with 9,857,000 employed and 954,000 unemployed for an unemployment rate of 8.8%. In January, the labour force was 10,789,000 with 9,812,000 employed and 977,000 unemployed for a rate of 9.1%. In February 1978, the labour force numbered 10,455,000 with 9,461,000 employed and 994,000 unemployed for a rate of 9.5%.

For further information, order the February issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Floor Tiles, Linoleum and Coated Fabrics Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3993		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	17	15	-11.8
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,039	2,043	0.2
Man-hours paid	000's	4,352	4,334	-0.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	21,917	24,093	9.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,321	3,582	7.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	89,836	93,895	4.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	158,473	166,696	5.2
Value added	\$000	67,056	69,167	3.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	3,272	3,227	-1.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	39,055	41,618	6.6
Total value added	\$000	75,070	75,982	1.2

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries, 1977* (47-205, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for Other Miscellaneous Manufacturing

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3999		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	375	362	-3.5
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	7,601	5,271	-30.7
Man-hours paid	000's	14,281	10,508	-26.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	50,951	45,427	-10.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,477	2,025	37.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	96,036	80,247	-16.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	197,659	188,334	-4.7
Value added	\$000	101,738	106,870	5.0
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	8,580	6,779	-21.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	63,804	65,509	2.7
Total value added	\$000	109,900	116,417	5.9

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries, 1977* (47-205, \$1.05¢).

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, December 1978

— Advance Information

Canadian mills shipped 214,091,000 square feet (19 890 000 m²) 3/8" (9.525 mm) basis of softwood plywood in December, up from 199,107,000 square feet (18 498 000 m²) in December 1977.

Shipments of hardwood plywood amounted to 25,440,000 square feet (2 364 000 m²) surface measure for December, an increase of 16.8% over the same month in 1977.

For further information, order the December issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods* (35-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Particle Board, January 1979 — Advance Information
Canadian firms produced 27,642,000 square feet (40 767 m³) 5/8" basis of Type I particle board (waferboard) in January, an increase of 19.0% from 23,219,000 square feet (34 244 m³) a year earlier. Production of Type II particle board reached 36,755,000 square feet (54 207 m³) 5/8" basis, up 27.6% from 28,804,000 square feet (42 481 m³) in January 1978.

For further information, order the January issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Telephone Statistics, January 1979 — Advance Information

Canada's 13 major telephone systems reported revenues of \$398.0 million in January 1979, up 19.9% from a year earlier. Operating expenses were \$269.8 million, an increase of 20.1%. Net operating revenue at \$128.2 million showed an increase of 19.7% over January 1978. Telephone toll messages increased 12.1% to 93.6 million.

For further information, order the January issue of *Telephone Statistics* (56-002, \$1.50 a year), or contact J.R. Slattey (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, March 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of frozen poultry products at March 1 amounted to 69.0 million pounds compared with last year's corresponding total of 69.2 million pounds.

For further information, order the March issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

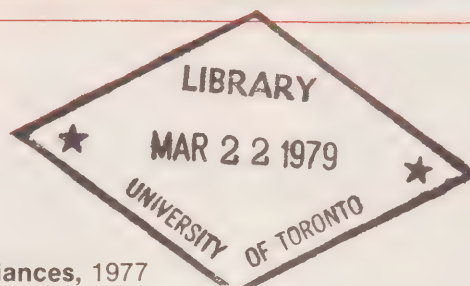
Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, February 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the month of February 1979 was 1,429,016 short tons (1 296 381 t). Pig iron production totalled 944,777 short tons (857 087 t).

For further information, order the February issue of *Steel Ingots and Pig Iron* (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V3.

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Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Small Electrical Appliances

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3310		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	50	49	-2.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,291	3,891	-9.3
Man-hours paid	000's	8,620	7,803	-9.5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	38,711	41,607	7.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,902	2,493	31.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	138,708	141,451	2.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	252,842	257,927	2.0
Value added	\$000	111,681	115,478	3.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	6,307	5,838	-7.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	65,160	71,436	9.6
Total value added	\$000	158,255	171,613	8.4

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Small Electrical Appliances, 1977* (43-203, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Miscellaneous Vehicle Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3290		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	22	17	-22.7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,159	1,648	-23.7
Man-hours paid	000's	4,269	3,438	-19.5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	20,637	18,826	-8.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,030	882	-14.4
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	77,253	67,562	-12.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	116,925	100,393	-14.1
Value added	\$000	36,806	30,728	-16.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,947	2,239	-24.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	32,020	27,604	-13.8
Total value added	\$000	46,217	41,959	-9.2

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Vehicle Manufacturers, 1977* (42-212, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Electric Wire and Cable

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3380		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	37	38	2.7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	6,900	6,423	-6.9
Man-hours paid	000's	14,318	13,722	-4.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	84,093	88,649	5.4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	7,846	8,652	10.3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	420,412	422,180	0.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	648,694	678,055	4.5
Value added	\$000	219,758	236,407	7.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	9,649	8,958	-7.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	127,621	132,293	3.7
Total value added	\$000	219,407	236,330	7.7

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Electrical Wire and Cable, 1977* (43-209, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Agricultural Implement Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3110		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	148	140	-5.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	12,934	12,378	-4.3
Man-hours paid	000's	27,231	24,875	-8.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	175,455	177,560	1.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	8,826	10,736	21.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	510,668	503,626	-1.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	853,055	841,209	-1.4
Value added	\$000	349,621	336,596	-3.7
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	16,461	16,064	-2.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	230,393	238,944	3.7
Total value added	\$000	371,756	377,634	1.6

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Agricultural Implement Industry 1977* (42-202, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Steel Pipe and Tube Mills

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2920		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	25	27	8.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,656	4,704	1.0
Man-hours paid	000's	9,941	10,460	5.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	66,566	73,120	9.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	8,783	11,070	26.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	347,184	339,709	-2.2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	498,267	503,758	1.1
Value added	\$000	147,567	157,781	6.9
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	5,546	5,634	1.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	81,655	90,397	10.7
Total value added	\$000	148,786	160,267	7.7

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Steel Pipe and Tube Mills, 1977* (41-220, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Metal Rolling, Casting and Extruding Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 298		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	75	74	-1.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,268	3,724	-12.8
Man-hours paid	000's	8,846	7,716	-12.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	42,643	42,854	0.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	5,923	7,339	23.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	170,746	198,942	16.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	—	—	—
Value added	\$000	—	—	—
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	5,354	4,703	-12.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	58,726	59,173	0.8
Total value added	\$000	113,332	110,212	-2.8

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Metal Rolling, Casting and Extruding*, 1977 (41-215, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Wineries

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1094		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	32	29	-9.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	644	599	-7.0
Man-hours paid	000's	1,327	1,228	-7.5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	7,558	8,035	6.3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	946	1,017	7.5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	46,891	44,818	-4.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	85,600	97,352	13.7
Value added	\$000	39,748	49,313	24.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,155	1,094	-5.3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	14,626	15,670	7.1
Total value added	\$000	39,779	49,394	24.2

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Wineries*, 1977 (32-207, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Flour and Breakfast Cereal Products Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1050		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	43	43	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	3,268	3,383	3.5
Man-hours paid	000's	7,009	7,308	4.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	43,166	47,801	10.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	5,480	6,610	20.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	424,614	427,331	0.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	602,099	617,449	2.5
Value added	\$000	175,211	183,160	4.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	5,041	5,182	2.7
Total salaries and wages	\$000	68,254	73,754	8.0
Total value added	\$000	180,025	190,104	5.5

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Flour and Breakfast Cereal Products Industry*, 1977 (32-228, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Fabricated Structural Metal Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 302		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	159	157	-1.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	13,549	12,934	-4.6
Man-hours paid	000's	28,241	27,011	-4.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	198,324	208,061	4.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	7,733	8,768	13.3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	369,273	358,183	-3.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	840,496	818,292	-2.7
Value added	\$000	468,746	452,040	-3.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	18,056	17,209	-4.7
Total salaries and wages	\$000	276,497	285,623	3.3
Total value added	\$000	513,125	483,523	-5.8

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Fabricated Structural Metal Industry, 1977* (41-207, 70¢).

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Checkstand Sacks by Canadian Manufacturers

	Eastern Canada		Western Canada		Canada Total	
	January 1978	January 1979	January 1978	January 1979	January 1978	January 1979
(thousands of bags)						
Standard Grocery Bags						
Size						
1/4 and 1/2	2,509	4,047	1,346		3,855	
1 }	8,704	9,460	2,609	5,338*	3,733	18,845*
2 }					7,580	
3 and 4	10,153	11,489	4,451	8,330	14,604	19,819
5	24,894	25,568	4,539	5,526	29,433	31,094
6	5,126	5,361	2,792	6,975	7,918	12,336
7 }					5,080	4,134
8 }	11,434	11,934	6,879	14,032	13,233	21,832
10	18,146	20,347	2,837	6,142	20,983	26,489
12	4,734	8,033	2,815	6,669	7,549	14,702
14	10,463	11,787	5,947	8,743	16,410	20,530
20	24,124	22,830	5,911	9,172	30,035	32,002
Total	120,287	130,856	40,126	70,927	160,413	201,783
Checkstand Sacks						
No. 1	12,841	8,777	7,613	9,472	20,454	18,249
No. 2	13,131	10,625	—	—	13,131	10,625
No. 3	28,408	37,715	26,667	46,957	55,075	84,672
Nos. 4 and 5	2,138	3,491	—	—	2,138	3,491
Total	56,518	60,608	34,280	56,429	90,798	117,037

* Total sales of size 1/4, 1/2, 1 and 2 standard grocery bags.

Production of Eggs and Poultry, January 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian egg production decreased by 4.1% to 38.4 million dozen in January 1979 from 40.1 million dozen a year earlier. The average number of layers was down 4.9% to 23.4 million from 24.6 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased 0.8% to 1,971 from 1,955.

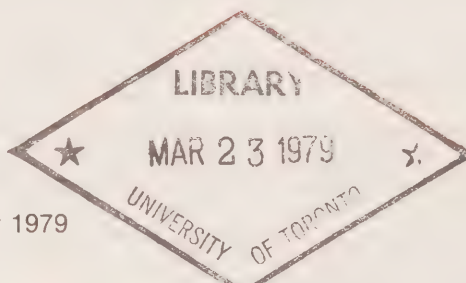
For further information, order the January issue of *Production of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstetcher (613-995-4853), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Financial Flows

Advance information on the fourth quarter of 1978, for selected sectors, is now available from the Financial Flows Section.

For further information, contact P. Odenbach Sutton (613-995-0851), Financial Flows Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Labour Force Survey, February 1979 (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50)

Provincial Government Finance — Revenue and Expenditure, 1976 (68-207, \$2.10)

Selected Principal Statistics for Clay Products Manufacturers (from Domestic Clays)

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3511		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	59	57	-3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,317	2,302	-1
Man-hours paid	000's	4,918	4,852	-1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	26,355	28,351	8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	11,878	14,446	22
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	20,556	20,959	2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	98,253	100,376	2
Value added	\$000	65,395	68,872	5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,784	2,820	1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	33,955	38,234	13
Total value added	\$000	65,880	69,574	6

For further information, contact J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Clay Products Manufacturers (from Domestic Clays)*, 1977 (44-215, 70¢).

Wholesale Trade, January 1979 — Advance Information

Wholesale merchants' sales for January were estimated at \$5,261,121,000, up 26.3% from \$4,166,960,000 in January 1978. Wholesale inventories were valued at \$9,143,128,000, an increase of 20.1% from stocks of \$7,613,493,000 on hand at the end of January last year.

For further information, order the January issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Federal Government Finance, 1977-78 — Advance Information

Gross general revenue of the Federal Government for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1978 amounted to \$39,054 million, an increase of \$741 million (1.9%) over that of the previous year. Gross general expenditure was \$45,955 million, up \$4,742 million (11.5%) from the 1976-77 fiscal year.

The publication *Federal Government Finance, 1977-78* (catalogue 68-211) will be released at a later date. Additional information may be obtained by contacting Mr. G.M. McIlveen (613-995-9894), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Industrial Chemicals, January 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 94,539,000 lbs. (42 882 metric tonnes) of polyethylene-type synthetic resins in January, up from 54,879,000 lbs. (24 893 metric tonnes) in January 1978.

For further information, order the January issue of *Specified Chemicals* (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Pulpwood and Wood Residue, January 1979 — Advance Information

Roundwood production increased by 9.5% to 1,131,084 cunits (3 202 867 m3) in January 1979 from 1,032,740 cunits (2 924 388 m3) a year earlier. Receipts of wood residue were up 19.0% to 1,015,340 cunits (2 875 118 m3) from 853,431 cunits (2 416 643 m3).

Consumption of roundwood and wood residue increased by 8.8% to 2,411,396 cunits (6 828 302 m3) from 2,216,971 cunits (6 277 753 m3) and the closing inventory of these two products decreased by 9.6% to 9,156,542 cunits (25 928 396 m3) from 10,131,435 cunits (28 688 982 m3).

For further information, order the January issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Radio Broadcasting, December 1978 — Advance Information

Gross national AM and FM radio air-time sales were \$7.7 million in December, an increase of 20.3% from \$6.4 million in December 1977. Net national sales after deduction of agency and other commissions amounted to \$6.5 million, up 20.3% from \$5.4 million in the previous year.

Net local air-time sales were up 16.0% to \$21.8 million in December from \$18.1 million.

Gross radio air-time sales for 1978 were \$322.8 million compared to \$276.6 million in 1977, an increase of 16.7%. Net sales rose 16.8% to \$300.4 million from \$257.1 million.

For further information, order the December issue of *Radio Broadcasting* (56-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Clay Products Manufacturers (from Imported Clays)

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3512		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	30	34	13
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,614	1,395	-14
Man-hours paid	000's	3,365	2,913	-13
Manufacturing wages	\$000	16,128	15,963	-1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,344	2,662	14
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	17,872	20,685	16
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	59,008	62,317	6
Value added	\$000	38,597	39,574	3
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,007	1,733	-14
Total salaries and wages	\$000	21,134	20,889	-1
Total value added	\$000	39,079	39,794	2

For further information, contact J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Clay Products Manufacturers (from Imported Clays)*, 1977 (44-216, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Cement Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3520		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	27	25	-7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,993	2,795	-7
Man-hours paid	000's	6,286	5,841	-7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	47,686	51,483	8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	83,545	95,044	14
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	77,330	74,690	-3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	403,631	436,010	8
Value added	\$000	249,502	271,879	9
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	4,517	4,265	-6
Total salaries and wages	\$000	76,645	84,498	10
Total value added	\$000	249,142	274,979	10

For further information, contact J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Cement Manufacturers*, 1977 (44-204, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Glass Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3561		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	14	13	-7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	6,666	6,499	-3
Man-hours paid	000's	14,101	13,680	-3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	80,831	91,564	13
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	26,343	30,080	14
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	93,451	90,578	-3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	324,112	312,061	-4
Value added	\$000	208,043	195,430	-6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	8,615	8,075	-6
Total salaries and wages	\$000	111,246	120,547	8
Total value added	\$000	205,068	199,243	-3

For further information, contact J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Glass and Glass Products Manufacturers*, 1977 (44-207, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Glass Products Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3562		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	69	64	-7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,640	2,605	-1
Man-hours paid	000's	5,571	5,474	-2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	31,838	34,473	8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,460	4,557	32
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	72,706	85,498	18
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	157,360	184,413	17
Value added	\$000	85,214	95,154	12
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	3,221	3,129	-3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	42,021	44,135	5
Total value added	\$000	87,404	96,614	11

For further information, contact J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Glass and Glass Products Manufacturers*, (44-207, 70¢).

Statistics for the Signs and Displays Industry

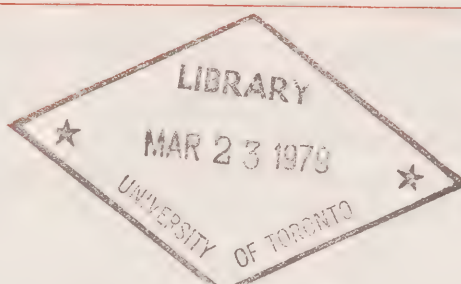
1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3970		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	391	368	-5.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,798	4,430	-7.7
Man-hours paid	000's	9,828	9,063	-7.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	46,452	47,200	1.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,038	2,253	10.5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	56,573	57,966	2.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	149,276	151,907	1.8
Value added	\$000	90,996	92,359	1.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	6,528	6,068	-7.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	71,138	72,217	1.5
Total value added	\$000	132,301	138,466	4.7

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Signs and Displays Industry 1977* (47-209, 70¢).

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Railway Transport (52-004, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 9, No. 1, Railway Carloadings, January 1979 and December 1978

Retail Trade, January 1979 — Advance Information
Seasonally-adjusted retail sales for January were \$6,039.0 million, an increase of 1.0% from the \$5,978.3 million recorded in December. Sales increased in 20 of the 28 trade groups with the largest gains posted by household appliance stores (17.6%) and garages (15.0%). The largest decreases were recorded for sporting goods and accessories stores (-18.1%) and combination stores (-11.7%). Eight provinces showed increased sales ranging from 6.6% for Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island to 0.2% for Nova Scotia. Saskatchewan (-4.6%) and British Columbia (-0.2%) reported decreased sales from December.

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment reached \$4,995.2 million, an increase of 14.0% over January 1978. Sales were higher in all 28 trade groups with the largest gains recorded by automotive parts and accessories stores (32.7%), women's clothing stores (31.3%) and book and stationery stores (23.9%). All provinces reported increased sales over January 1978 ranging from 22.8% for Newfoundland to 8.8% for Manitoba. Montreal sales rose 10.1%; Toronto, 9.9%; and Vancouver, 13.5%. Winnipeg sales decreased 0.6%.

Revised total retail trade, unadjusted for seasonal influences, for December 1978 was \$7,434.0 million, up 9.7% from December 1977.

For further information, order the January issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Provincial Government Employment, October-December 1978 — Advance Information

For the first time in many years, the number of persons employed in provincial and territorial general government services (excluding British Columbia) at 348,837 at the end of 1978 showed a decrease from the total employed at the end of the previous year. While the decline was small (-0.1%) it was in sharp contrast to the annual average increase of nearly 3% recorded in the preceding five years. Declines in provincial government employment were registered in Prince Edward Island (-14.4%), Ontario (-5.8%), Nova Scotia (-5.0%), Alberta (-2.4%) and Manitoba (-1.7%), while increases occurred in New Brunswick (1.3%), the Yukon (1.5%), Newfoundland (2.7%), the Northwest Territories (3.1%), Quebec (6.6%) and Saskatchewan (13.7%).

Gross payrolls for 1978 at \$5,310 million were nearly 10% over those for 1977, but this rate of increase was significantly less than the average of 24% for the preceding five years.

Employment in all provincial and territorial government enterprises for which data are available increased by 8% from a year earlier to 153,070 at December 1978. This was a lower rate of increase than that for the previous year (11.4%) but somewhat above the average for the preceding five years (7.3%). Gross payrolls of these enterprises in 1978 at \$2,834.5 million were 21.4% over the comparable figure for 1977 but this increase was lower than the average of 28.5% for the preceding five years. (Enterprise employment, however, reflects increases in the total numbers of corporations as well as in the size of individual corporations.)

For further information, order the October-December issue of *Provincial Government Employment* (72-007, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact Mr. A.G. Kerr (613-995-8201), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

The Consumer Price Index, February 1979 (62-001, 30¢/\$3)

National Highlights

The All-items Consumer Price Index for Canada (1971=100) increased by 0.9% from 182.7 in January to 184.4 in February. As a result, the 12-month rise between February 1978 and February 1979 stood at 9.2%, up from the 8.9% registered in the previous 12-month period. Higher food prices were again a significant factor in the latest over-all monthly CPI rise, having been responsible for about one-half of the increase. Food prices advanced by 2.5% between January and February, up from the 1.9% registered in the previous month, while the index for all items excluding food rose by 0.5%, unchanged from the increase observed in the previous month.

Higher prices for beef cuts, up on average 10.8% in early February were largely responsible for the 2.8% increase in the food-at-home index. Other notable contributors to this latest monthly rise included higher prices for selected fresh fruit and vegetables, dairy products and for most cereal and bakery products. Chicken and sugar prices recorded a slight decline. The 2.8% increase in the food-at-home index in February brought the index 17.5% above its level of February 1978.

Increased shelter charges for both rented and owned accommodation and higher prices for new cars were major contributing factors to the 0.5% increase in the index for all items excluding food. Other notable factors included higher prices for many clothing items, tobacco products, magazines and, in several cities, for newspapers, electricity and automobile insurance premiums. Higher prices were also recorded for both men's haircuts and women's hairdressing services as well as for prescribed medicines. Between February 1978 and February 1979, the index for all items excluding food advanced by 6.8%.

Viewed in terms of goods and services, the price level for goods, including food, advanced by 1.2% in the latest month while that for services increased by 0.5%. As a result, between February 1978 and February 1979, the price level for goods advanced by 11.2% while that for services rose by 6.0%.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the All-items Consumer Price Index advanced by 1.0% between January and February; this comprised a 2.5% increase in the food index and a 0.6% increase in the index for all items excluding food.

City Highlights

Between January and February, consumer prices rose in all 15 cities for which CPIs are produced. Advances ranged from 0.6% in Charlottetown/Summerside to 1.6% in Edmonton. In seven of the 15 cities, consumer prices rose in excess of 1.0%. The differing rates of price increases for food, ranging from 1.3% in Saskatoon to 3.9% in Edmonton, were the major factor contributing to this variation in city retail price movements.

St. John's

All items: January to February 1979, up 0.9%; February 1978 to February 1979, up 9.4%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, fresh produce and restaurant meals. Increased prices for new automobiles and gasoline. Higher shelter charges.

Charlottetown/Summerside

All items: January to February 1979, up 0.6%; February 1978 to February 1979, up 8.7%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef; increased shelter charges. Prices up for new cars, gasoline and liquor consumed in licensed premises. Clothing prices declined, while clothing services charges increased.

Halifax

All items: January to February 1979, up 1.1%; February 1978 to February 1979, up 8.5%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef and fresh produce; poultry prices declined. Increased clothing prices and higher shelter charges. Prices up for alcoholic beverages consumed in licensed premises.

Saint John

All items: January to February 1979, up 0.7%; February 1978 to February 1979, up 8.6%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, while pork and chicken prices declined. Prices up for new cars, gasoline and clothing.

Quebec City

All items: January to February 1979, up 1.3%; February 1978 to February 1979, up 9.1%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, fresh produce, soft drinks and restaurant meals. Increased prices for selected clothing items and new cars.

Montreal

All items: January to February 1979, up 1.2%; February 1978 to February 1979, up 8.5%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, other meat products, fresh fruit and restaurant meals. Prices also up for selected clothing items, new cars and cigarettes.

Ottawa

All items: January to February 1979, up 0.8%; February 1978 to February 1979, up 8.4%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fresh produce; increased electricity rates. Prices up for new cars, automobile insurance premiums and newspapers.

Toronto

All items: January to February 1979, up 0.9%; February 1978 to February 1979, up 9.0%.

Main contributors: higher prices for meat and fresh produce. Increased prices for new cars, gasoline and higher automobile insurance premiums. Furniture prices declined.

Thunder Bay

All items: January to February 1979, up 1.3%; February 1978 to February 1979, up 8.2%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef and soft drinks. Increased electricity rates. Prices up for new cars and automobile insurance premiums.

Winnipeg

All items: January to February 1979, up 1.1%; February 1978 to February 1979, up 8.5%.

Main contributors: higher prices for meat and fresh produce; increased electricity rates and higher clothing prices. New car prices increased while gasoline prices declined.

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The Consumer Price Index and Major Components, Canada (1971=100)

	Indexes			Percentage Change	
				February 1979 from	
	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1979	Feb. 1978
All items	184.4	182.7	168.9	0.9	9.2
Food	225.6	220.2	194.3	2.5	16.1
All items excluding food	171.0	170.1	160.1	0.5	6.8
Housing	181.7	181.2	169.6	0.3	7.1
Clothing	152.4	150.8	145.3	1.1	4.9
Transportation	170.7	169.3	158.9	0.8	7.4
Health and personal care	174.6	172.9	161.4	1.0	8.2
Recreation, reading and education	153.1	152.4	145.7	0.5	5.1
Tobacco and alcohol	160.1	159.1	149.1	0.6	7.4
Purchasing power of the 1971 consumer dollar	0.54	0.55	0.59		
All-items Consumer Price Index converted to 1961=100	246.0				

Month-to-Month Percentage Changes in the Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Index for Canada*

	All items		Food		All items excluding food	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**
1978						
January	0.4	..	0.8	..	0.2	..
February	0.7	..	0.7	..	0.6	..
March	1.1	..	1.4	..	1.1	..
April	0.2	..	1.7	..	-0.4	..
May	1.4	..	3.3	..	0.6	..
June	0.9	..	2.0	..	0.4	..
July	1.5	..	4.0	..	0.4	..
August	0.1	..	-1.4	..	0.7	..
September	-0.2	..	-2.4	..	0.7	..
October	1.0	0.8	1.2	1.5	1.0	0.6
November	0.8	0.7	0.3	0.7	0.9	0.7
December	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.2	0.4
1979						
January	0.8	0.7	1.9	2.0	0.5	0.3
February	0.9	1.0	2.5	2.5	0.5	0.6

* For some elaboration of methodology, see Appendix I(A) of *Consumer Prices and Price Indexes* (Catalogue 62-010).

** Seasonally adjusted data are revised annually using updated seasonal adjustment factors. For more information, refer to Appendix II, *Consumer Prices and Price Indexes* (Catalogue 62-010).

... For an explanation of the non-availability of data previous to October 1978, see Appendix II, Section B(2), *Consumer Prices and Price Indexes* (Catalogue 62-010).

Regina

All items: January to February 1979, up 0.8%; February 1978 to February 1979, up 8.1%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef and other meat products. Increased shelter charges and higher prices for new cars and cigarettes.

Saskatoon

All items: January to February 1979, up 0.8%; February 1978 to February 1979, up 7.9%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef and fresh vegetables; increased shelter charges and higher water rates. Prices up for new cars, gasoline and furniture.

Edmonton

All items: January to February 1979, up 1.6%; February 1978 to February 1979, up 9.2%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, bread and restaurant meals; increased shelter charges. Prices up for new cars and gasoline.

Calgary

All items: January to February 1979, up 1.3%; February 1978 to February 1979, up 8.8%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef. Increased shelter charges. Prices up for clothing, personal care services and new cars. Domestic gas prices declined.

Vancouver

All items: January to February 1979, up 0.8%; February 1978 to February 1979, up 8.1%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef and fresh vegetables; increased shelter charges. Prices up for new cars and prescribed medicines.

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Consumer Price Indexes for Canada, Major Components, Sub-groups and Special Aggregates, not Seasonally Adjusted

(1971=100)

	Indexes	Percentage Change	
		February 1979 from	
	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Feb. 1978
Major components, sub-groups and special aggregates			
Reclassified by goods and services			
Goods and services	184.4	0.9	9.2
Goods	187.3	1.2	11.2
Durable goods	147.2	0.6	7.0
Semi-durable goods	149.3	0.9	5.1
Non-durable goods	207.9	1.7	13.2
Services	180.9	0.5	6.0
Special aggregates			
All items excluding food	171.0	0.5	6.8
All items excluding energy	181.9	1.1	9.1
Energy	220.2	0.2	10.8
All items excluding food and energy	166.3	0.6	6.3

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Transportation	Health and personal care	Recreation reading and education	Tobacco and alcohol
	(1971=100)							
St. John's								
February 1979 index	192.9	240.6	197.4	146.3	170.2	186.7	150.8	159.3
January 1979 index	191.1	235.9	196.7	145.0	168.8	184.0	150.0	158.5
% change from January 1979	0.9	2.0	0.4	0.9	0.8	1.5	0.5	0.5
% change from February 1978	9.4	16.6	8.2	4.0	4.4	10.9	8.8	5.8
Charlottetown/Summerside**								
February 1979 index	146.8	154.1	152.7	126.7	144.5	144.2	130.0	133.3
January 1979 index	145.9	151.8	152.2	127.0	143.6	143.4	129.5	132.5
% change from January 1979	0.6	1.5	0.3	-0.2	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.6
% change from February 1978	8.7	14.5	7.2	7.2	6.8	6.8	5.2	2.4
Halifax								
February 1979 index	180.7	217.8	181.9	144.9	171.6	162.7	148.0	150.1
January 1979 index	178.8	213.7	180.9	141.7	170.9	162.3	147.3	146.7
% change from January 1979	1.1	1.9	0.6	2.3	0.4	0.2	0.5	2.3
% change from February 1978	8.5	14.8	6.2	6.9	6.1	5.8	6.6	4.8
Saint John								
February 1979 index	184.3	223.6	184.9	141.2	172.5	174.3	160.9	151.3
January 1979 index	183.0	220.3	184.8	139.8	171.0	173.5	160.6	149.9
% change from January 1979	0.7	1.5	0.1	1.0	0.9	0.5	0.2	0.9
% change from February 1978	8.6	13.0	7.4	5.3	7.5	5.3	5.6	9.9
Quebec								
February 1979 index	181.8	222.8	180.4	137.4	172.3	173.0	153.6	162.0
January 1979 index	179.4	218.1	179.7	131.3	171.5	170.5	152.9	160.2
% change from January 1979	1.3	2.2	0.4	4.6	0.5	1.5	0.5	1.1
% change from February 1978	9.1	14.1	9.4	-0.9	7.3	9.6	6.8	8.2
Montreal								
February 1979 index	181.9	225.0	171.8	151.2	172.7	174.7	157.0	165.0
January 1979 index	179.8	218.8	171.3	148.7	171.8	171.5	156.5	163.9
% change from January 1979	1.2	2.8	0.3	1.7	0.5	1.9	0.3	0.7
% change from February 1978	8.5	15.3	7.8	-0.2	6.7	7.9	5.1	7.7
Ottawa								
February 1979 index	182.1	213.3	179.8	167.4	171.8	167.3	148.7	164.9
January 1979 index	180.7	210.3	179.0	168.4	169.7	165.6	147.1	163.0
% change from January 1979	0.8	1.4	0.4	-0.6	1.2	1.0	1.1	1.2
% change from February 1978	8.4	12.9	7.0	7.9	8.2	5.9	4.7	7.6

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada (continued)

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation reading and education	Tobacco and alcohol
Toronto								
February 1979 index	182.8	219.8	180.3	154.7	168.8	182.6	151.9	158.6
January 1979 index	181.2	213.9	180.7	153.9	166.9	182.2	151.3	157.6
% change from January 1979	0.9	2.8	-0.2	0.5	1.1	0.2	0.4	0.6
% change from February 1978	9.0	15.1	7.2	8.6	6.7	9.7	4.2	6.1
Thunder Bay								
February 1979 index	183.8	219.7	184.3	148.7	176.8	179.5	151.0	158.0
January 1979 index	181.5	213.4	182.8	147.5	174.9	178.2	150.8	156.5
% change from January 1979	1.3	3.0	0.8	0.8	1.1	0.7	0.1	1.0
% change from February 1978	8.2	13.0	7.7	7.1	6.1	7.6	3.9	6.4
Winnipeg								
February 1979 index	185.8	220.7	194.2	158.2	166.0	175.9	151.8	156.9
January 1979 index	183.7	214.6	192.3	155.5	166.8	175.2	151.1	156.6
% change from January 1979	1.1	2.8	1.0	1.7	-0.5	0.4	0.5	0.2
% change from February 1978	8.5	13.3	7.3	9.2	5.7	7.6	5.6	6.5
Regina								
February 1979 index	184.2	215.7	184.0	154.0	173.4	175.1	171.1	163.6
January 1979 index	182.7	209.8	183.5	153.8	172.8	174.9	170.1	162.7
% change from January 1979	0.8	2.8	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.6	0.6
% change from February 1978	8.1	15.1	4.8	5.6	8.2	7.4	5.2	8.3
Saskatoon								
February 1979 index	179.8	212.9	178.9	155.9	166.0	165.9	166.5	163.5
January 1979 index	178.3	210.2	177.7	155.6	164.6	164.4	165.6	161.4
% change from January 1979	0.8	1.3	0.7	0.2	0.9	0.9	0.5	1.3
% change from February 1978	7.9	13.9	5.4	5.5	7.0	8.1	4.6	8.9
Edmonton								
February 1979 index	186.6	214.9	199.0	161.6	173.1	163.4	157.5	145.9
January 1979 index	183.7	206.0	196.7	160.5	171.5	162.4	156.8	144.6
% change from January 1979	1.6	3.9	1.2	0.7	0.9	0.6	0.4	0.9
% change from February 1978	9.2	13.3	8.9	9.0	7.0	7.1	7.6	3.3
Calgary								
February 1979 index	182.6	213.1	189.7	160.8	167.4	172.6	155.7	149.4
January 1979 index	180.3	206.8	188.8	158.4	166.2	168.1	154.7	147.1
% change from January 1979	1.3	3.0	0.5	1.5	0.7	2.7	0.6	1.6
% change from February 1978	8.8	16.1	8.0	7.2	4.7	10.1	4.4	4.6
Vancouver								
February 1979 index	185.6	221.6	185.4	154.8	174.9	171.4	147.9	163.7
January 1979 index	184.1	217.7	184.6	154.0	173.5	169.6	147.5	162.5
% change from January 1979	0.8	1.8	0.4	0.5	0.8	1.1	0.3	0.7
% change from February 1978	8.1	13.6	5.7	5.2	6.9	7.1	4.7	11.0

* For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Section C, of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (62-010, \$1.40/\$5.60).

** 1974=100

Selected Principal Statistics for Shingle Mills

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2511		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	69	71	2.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,690	1,637	-3.1
Man-hours paid	000's	3,359	3,319	-1.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	25,089	28,638	14.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,251	1,560	24.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	43,668	61,150	40.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	90,295	114,531	26.8
Value added	\$000	46,644	52,929	13.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,813	1,754	-3.3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	27,379	31,196	13.9
Total value added	\$000	46,570	52,825	13.4

For further information, contact P.E. Martin (613-992-5140), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Sawmills and Planing Mills and Shingle Mills*, 1977 (35-204, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Coffin and Casket Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2580		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	38	29	-23.7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	837	743	-11.2
Man-hours paid	000's	1,803	1,599	-11.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	6,554	6,515	-0.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	416	362	-13.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	9,891	9,564	-3.3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	22,973	22,950	-0.1
Value added	\$000	12,243	12,639	3.2
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	965	860	-10.9
Total salaries and wages	\$000	8,347	8,236	-1.3
Total value added	\$000	12,579	13,018	3.5

For further information, contact C.F. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Coffin and Casket Industry*, 1977 (35-210, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Wooden Box Factories

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2560		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	166	150	-9.6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,938	2,869	-2.3
Man-hours paid	000's	6,216	6,028	-3.0
Manufacturing wages	\$000	25,735	30,460	18.4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,597	1,900	19.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	56,532	65,716	16.2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	111,119	134,465	21.0
Value added	\$000	53,071	67,162	26.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	3,430	3,347	-2.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	32,950	39,645	20.3
Total value added	\$000	52,826	66,961	26.8

For further information, contact C.F. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Wooden Box Factories*, 1977 (35-209, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Prefabricated Buildings (Wood Frame Construction) 1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2543		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	87	78	-10.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,798	4,074	-15.1
Man-hours paid	000's	9,965	8,296	-16.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	51,205	46,725	-8.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,008	1,826	-9.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	232,156	207,111	-10.8
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	365,753	339,438	-7.2
Value added	\$000	136,899	129,485	-5.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	6,317	5,320	-15.8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	76,017	70,042	-7.9
Total value added	\$000	144,347	143,957	-0.3

For further information, contact P.E. Martin (613-992-5140), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Sash, Door and Other Millwork Plants, 1977* (35-205, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for Canvas Goods Manufacturers 1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1872		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	144	135	-6.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,737	1,663	-4.3
Man-hours paid	000's	3,488	3,313	-5.1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	12,210	13,365	9.4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	474	480	1.2
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	31,544	31,075	-1.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	60,113	57,544	-4.3
Value added	\$000	28,426	27,036	-4.9
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,117	2,037	-3.8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	17,149	18,650	8.7
Total value added	\$000	31,013	29,379	-5.3

For further information, contact E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Canvas Products and Cotton and Jute Bags Industries, 1977* (34-202, 70¢).

Road and Street Length and Financing, 1976 — Advance Information

Total length of public roads and streets in Canada at December 31, 1976 was 549,462 miles (884 273 km), an increase of 1.4% from 541,849 miles (872 021 km) in 1975. Paved mileage (included above) amounted to 155,358 miles (250 024 km) in 1976, up 4.0% from 149,362 miles (240 375 km) a year earlier.

Total expenditures during the 1976 fiscal year (ended either December 31, 1976 or March 31, 1977, as appropriate) totalled \$4.45 billion, up 4.1% from \$4.28 billion in the previous fiscal year. Of the \$4.45 billion spent in the 1976 fiscal year, \$2.65 billion represented expenditures of the 12 provincial and territorial administrations.

Total revenue received by the provinces and territories from full taxes and fees for vehicle registrations, drivers' licences and other road-related permits

during the 1976-1977 fiscal year totalled \$2.22 billion, up 6.5% from \$2.08 billion in the preceding year.

For further information, contact the Surface Transport Section (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6, or order the 1976 issue of *Road and Street Length and Financing* (53-201, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Cotton and Jute Bags Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1871		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	22	20	-9.1
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	554	537	-3.1
Man-hours paid	000's	1,136	1,092	-3.9
Manufacturing wages	\$000	4,223	4,284	1.4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	257	288	12.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	20,281	21,832	7.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	30,574	32,704	6.9
Value added	\$000	9,944	10,593	6.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	681	662	-2.8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	6,093	5,833	-4.3
Total value added	\$000	11,425	10,816	-5.4

For further information, contact E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Canvas Products and Cotton and Jute Bags Industries*, 1977 (34-202, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Orthopaedic and Surgical Appliances

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3913		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	31	27	-12.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	400	309	-22.3
Man-hours paid	000's	823	641	-22.1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	3,644	3,178	-12.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	102	84	-17.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	5,050	4,290	-15.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	13,706	11,394	-16.9
Value added	\$000	8,909	7,109	-20.0
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	524	395	-24.6
Total salaries and wages	\$000	5,359	4,361	-18.6
Total value added	\$000	10,866	7,924	-27.1

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Scientific and Professional Equipment Industries*, 1977 (47-206, \$1.05).

Dairy Factory Production, February 1979 — Advance Information

Production of creamery butter increased 8.5% in February 1979 to 5 297 metric tonnes from 4 884 metric tonnes a year earlier. Cheddar cheese production rose 25.6% to 6 512 metric tonnes from 5 185 metric tonnes. Production of ice cream mix decreased 5.4% to 7 818 kilolitres from 8 266 kilolitres.

For further information, order the February issue of *Dairy Factory Production* (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-995-4858), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, March 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter were down to 54.7 million pounds on March 1 from last year's corresponding total of 55.5 million, while stocks of cheddar cheese were up to 64.3 million pounds from 57.0 million. Stocks of skim milk powder decreased to 31.2 million pounds from 81.0 million. Stocks of evaporated whole milk increased to 28.2 million pounds from 13.0 million.

For further information, order the March issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Logging Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 031		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	2,319	2,135	-7.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	42,185	41,804	-0.9
Man-hours paid	000's	83,917	83,192	-0.9
Manufacturing wages	\$000	638,761	693,461	8.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	70,894	74,220	4.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	1,852,323	1,986,606	7.2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	3,213,009	3,498,412	8.9
Value added	\$000	1,329,663	1,420,233	6.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	49,878	49,445	-0.9
Total salaries and wages	\$000	773,178	844,143	9.2
Total value added	\$000	1,348,174	1,440,089	6.8

For further information, contact C.F. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Logging*, 1977 (25-201, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Instruments and Related Products

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3911		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	136	130	-4.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	6,896	6,738	-2.3
Man-hours paid	000's	14,073	13,823	-1.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	73,280	76,415	4.3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,530	4,354	23.3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	199,458	213,119	6.8
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	473,062	506,899	7.2
Value added	\$000	277,810	295,954	6.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	12,227	12,412	1.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	161,105	177,727	10.3
Total value added	\$000	319,070	342,526	7.3

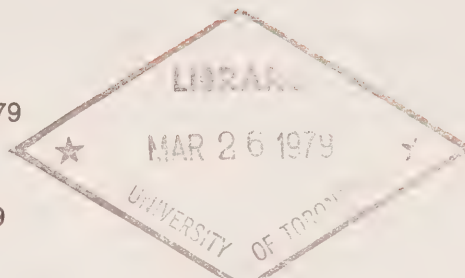
For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Scientific and Professional Equipment Industries*, 1977 (47-206, \$1.05).

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Mental Health Statistics, Volume II, Patients on Books of Institutions, 1976 (83-208, \$2.10)

Population — Revised Annual Estimates of Population, by Sex and Age for Canada and the Provinces, 1971-1976 (91-518, \$1.05)

Primary Iron and Steel, December 1978 (41-001, 40¢/\$4)

Cheques Cashed, January 1979 (61-001, 30¢/\$3)

International Travel, January 1979 (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Particle Board, January 1979 (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Shipments of Domestic Mobile Homes, Quarter Ended December 31, 1978 (41-017, 35¢/\$1.40)

Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances, January 1979 (43-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production and Sales of Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada, January 1979 (47-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Selected Principal Statistics for Office Furniture Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2640		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	78	81	3.8
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,026	4,084	1.4
Man-hours paid	000's	8,498	8,705	2.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	40,598	44,607	9.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,112	2,576	22.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	86,189	93,980	9.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	188,617	209,116	10.9
Value added	\$000	102,965	113,847	10.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	5,350	5,401	1.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	60,877	65,688	7.9
Total value added	\$000	103,305	114,411	10.8

For further information, contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Office Furniture Manufacturers, 1977* (35-212, 70¢).

Preliminary Monthly Report of Petroleum Sales

January 1979

(Thousands Cubic Metres)

	Motor Gasoline	Aviation Turbo Fuel (Kero.)	Aviation Turbo Fuel (Naptha)	Kero. & Stove Oil	Diesel Fuel	Light Fuel	Heavy Fuel	Other Products	Total Products	Motor Gasoline by Grade		
										Pre-mium	No-Lead	Regular
Nfld.	47	10	2	13	20	59	36	2	189	3	14	30
P.E.I.	14	—	1	4	2	23	10	2	56	2	3	9
N.S.	94	5	2	21	39	156	176	13	506	10	25	59
N.B.	85	1	2	15	28	109	264	13	517	6	22	57
Que.	696	56	16	94	185	942	665	276	2 930	139	174	383
Ont.	1 011	87	19	46	221	918	446	415	3 163	91	303	617
Man.	130	4	13	27	45	43	25	8	295	4	46	80
Sask.	145	—	7	36	51	36	1	10	286	3	18	124
Alta.	365	22	20	15	170	18	8	64	682	21	120	224
B.C.	307	18	26	28	162	185	133	33	892	27	55	225
Yukon	3	—	—	4	3	5	—	1	16	—	—	3
N.W.T.	3	1	2	1	4	7	—	5	23	—	1	2
Canada	2 900	204	110	304	930	2 501	1 764	842	9 555	306	781	1 813
Canada '78	2 659	170	104	312	808	2 458	1 540	701	8 752	240	638	1 781
Change 79/78	9.1	20.0	5.8	-2.6	15.1	1.7	14.5	20.1	9.2	27.5	22.4	1.8

Refined Petroleum Products, January 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary data for the month of January show that net sales of all refined petroleum products amounted to 60,128,000 barrels (9 555 thousands of cubic metres), an increase of 9.2% from the January 1978 total of 55,075,000 barrels (8 752 thousands of cubic metres).

Canadian refineries produced 60,789,000 barrels (9 660 thousands of cubic metres) of refined petroleum products in January, up 6.8% from 56,944,000 barrels (9 049 thousands of cubic metres) in January 1978.

For further information, order the January issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, 40¢/\$4), or contact G.R. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended March 17, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended March 17 was 312,899 short tons (283 857 t), a decrease of 0.9% from the preceding week's total of 315,861 short tons (286 544 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 301,472 short tons (273 491 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 170.8 in the current week, 172.4 a week earlier and 164.5 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. Brian Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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- Oil Pipe Line Transport, December 1978 (55-001, 30¢/\$3)
- Motion Picture Theatres and Film Distributors, 1977 (63-207, 70¢)
- Department Store Sales and Stocks, December 1978 (63-002, 40¢/\$4)
- Quarterly Estimates of Population for Canada and the Provinces, January 1979 (91-001, 35¢/\$1.40)
- Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, December 1978 (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50)
- Capacity Utilization Rates in Canadian Manufacturing, Fourth Quarter 1978 (31-003, \$1.40/\$5.60)
- Shipments of Prepared Stock and Poultry Feeds, December 1978 (32-004, 40¢/\$4)
- Report on Livestock Surveys, Pigs, January 1, 1979 (23-005, \$1.40 a year)

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Lighting Fixtures

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3330		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	70	72	2.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,851	2,709	-5.0
Man-hours paid	000's	5,828	5,588	-4.1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	25,032	26,253	4.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,173	1,369	16.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	89,434	94,162	5.3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	162,907	173,695	6.6
Value added	\$000	72,765	80,079	10.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	3,855	3,717	-3.6
Total salaries and wages	\$000	39,496	41,419	4.9
Total value added	\$000	76,638	84,894	10.8

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Lighting Fixtures, 1977* (43-211, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Boatbuilding and Repair

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3280		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	215	193	-10.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,965	2,323	-21.7
Man-hours paid	000's	6,106	4,794	-21.5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	28,101	23,796	-15.3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	969	985	1.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	58,913	53,221	-9.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	109,106	92,235	-15.5
Value added	\$000	51,241	36,990	-27.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	3,377	2,650	-21.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	34,009	28,684	-15.7
Total value added	\$000	53,298	38,072	-28.6

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Boatbuilding and Repair 1977* (42-205, 70¢).

Department Store Sales and Stocks, January 1979 — Advance Information

Department store sales rose to \$482.8 million in January, an increase of 13.1% from the \$426.8 million recorded in January 1978. Sales were up in 37 of the 40 departments with the largest gains posted by china and glassware (+36.9%), toys and games (+33.7%) and women's and girls' gloves, mitts and accessories (+30.5%). All provinces reported increased sales ranging from 20.2% for Alberta to 5.1% for Prince Edward Island. In metropolitan areas, Montreal sales totalled \$59.5 million, +22.1%; Toronto, \$72.4 million, +7.0%; Winnipeg, \$23.9 million, +6.7%; and Vancouver, \$51.5 million, +14.3%.

Inventories held in January 1979 totalled \$1,980.6 million (at selling price), an increase of 24.5% over January 1978. Stocks increased in 37 of the 40 departments.

For further information, order the January issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Construction-type Plywood, January 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian mills shipped 223,661,000 square feet (197 918 000 m³) 3/8" (9.525 mm) basis of construction-type plywood in the month of January 1979.

For further information, contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6 or order the January issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods* (35-001, 30¢/\$3).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Plastics and Synthetic Resins

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3730		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	49	49	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,886	3,281	14
Man-hours paid	000's	6,276	6,967	11
Manufacturing wages	\$000	42,101	50,192	19
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	18,116	23,588	30
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	344,790	411,592	19
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	529,090	615,415	16
Value added	\$000	190,859	186,215	-2
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	4,755	5,486	15
Total salaries and wages	\$000	76,209	92,972	22
Total value added	\$000	194,384	190,805	-2

For further information, contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Plastics and Synthetic Resins*, 1977 (46-211, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Mixed Fertilizers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3720		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	69	72	4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	812	716	-12
Man-hours paid	000's	1,734	1,534	-12
Manufacturing wages	\$000	8,224	7,607	-8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,038	982	-5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	98,731	92,671	-6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	129,705	127,243	-2
Value added	\$000	29,947	32,090	7
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,334	1,025	-23
Total salaries and wages	\$000	16,638	12,376	-26
Total value added	\$000	38,160	42,890	12

For further information, contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Mixed Fertilizers*, 1977 (46-220, 70¢).

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, March 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first day of March amounted to 108.1 million pounds compared with 106.0 million last month and 100.4 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the March issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber, January 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian production of rubber increased to 52,114,000 pounds (23 639 000 kg) in January from 46,173,000 pounds (20 944 000 kg) in January 1978.

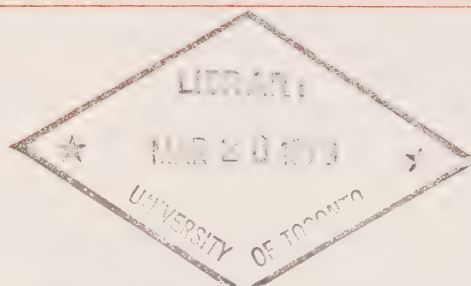
Consumption* of rubber in January 1979 was 57,033,000 pounds (25 869 000 kg).

* Users of these data should note that there has been a change in methodology, commencing with January 1979 statistics.

For further information, order the January issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Commodity-country import trade statistics for January 1979 are now available in advance of the regular publication. For information, contact G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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- 22-007 (40¢/\$4) Grains and Oilseeds Review, January 1979
- 25-001 (15¢/\$1.50) Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics, January 1979
- 54-207 (\$1.05) Shipping Report, Part V, Origin and Destination for Selected Commodities, 1977
- 63-008 (15¢/\$1.50) Wholesale Trade, January 1979
- 65-007 (80¢/\$8) Imports by Commodities, December 1978
- 87-656 (\$1.05) Culture Statistics — Museums, Art Galleries and Related Institutions (Large Institutions), 1976

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory Services staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island by telephoning 1-800-565-7192. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Tobacco Products — Cigarettes and Cigars, February 1979 — Advance Information

Production of cigarettes in February at 5.7 billion was unchanged from the February 1978 level. Production of cigars decreased to 39.4 million from 43.7 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the February issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, March 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Stocks of fruits, frozen and in preservatives, in storages and factories on March 1 totalled 40.0 million pounds compared with 34.2 million last year. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 122.8 million pounds (113.4 million in 1978).

For further information, order the March issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

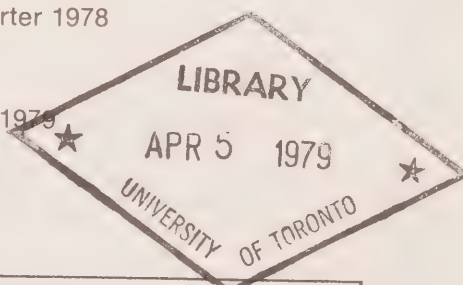
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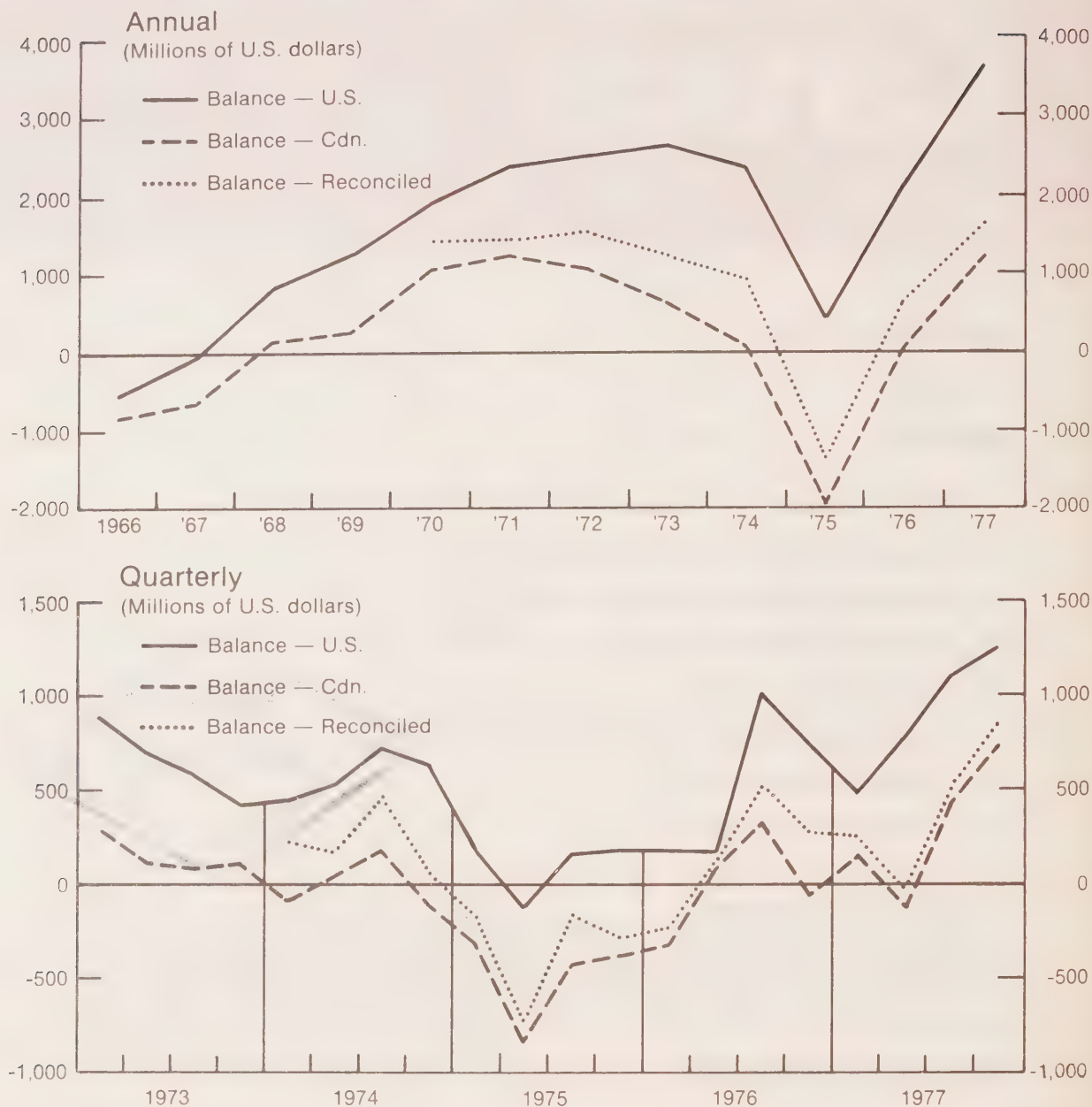
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- 32-001 (15¢/\$1.50) **Monthly Production of Soft Drinks**, February 1979
- 32-222 (70¢) **Cane and Beet Sugar Processors**, 1977
- 46-002 (15¢/\$1.50) **Specified Chemicals**, January 1979
- 63-007 (30¢/\$3) **New Motor Vehicle Sales**, January 1979
- 65-001 (40¢/\$4) **Summary of External Trade**, January 1979
- 82-201 (\$1.05) **Annual Report of Notifiable Diseases**, 1978

Merchandise Trade Balance Between the U.S. and Canada



Reconciliation of 1977 U.S.-Canada Merchandise Trade Statistics

Reconciled figures establish that Canada had a surplus of \$1,649 million (U.S.) in merchandise trade with the United States in 1977, up from the reconciled surplus of \$696 million in 1976. Reconciliation of the two countries' merchandise trade statistics was carried out by the U.S.-Canada Trade Statistics Committee.

Published Canadian trade statistics had shown the 1977 balance (converted to U.S. dollars) as \$1,200 million, nearly \$500 million less than the reconciled figure, while published U.S. trade statistics had shown a Canadian surplus of \$3,620 million, almost \$2 billion higher than the reconciled figure. Differences in the published figures of the two countries arise for a

number of reasons: these include non-receipt of export documents, differences in the definition and valuation of trade, inclusion of transportation charges, and differences in timing and in the systems of crediting trade to partner countries. The reconciliation process allocates the statistical discrepancy in published figures to these various causes based on balance of payments principles.

The reconciliation program began in 1971 and has produced yearly reconciled figures, beginning with the year 1970, and quarterly figures since 1974. Though final reconciled figures appear with some time-lag (usually six months to a year), estimates of the reconciliation adjustments are incorporated into each (continued)

Reconciliation of the Published Measures of Merchandise Trade Between Canada and the United States

1977

	Northward		Southward	
	Canadian Imports	U.S. Exports	Canadian Exports	U.S. Imports
	(millions \$U.S.)			
Published Value	27,848.8	25,734.7	29,048.7	29,354.3
Adjustments:				
Trade Definition	-148.4	104.5	-32.1	613.0
Valuation	-363.9	21.8	-4.1	—
Transportation Charges	-93.5	-184.5	-87.0	-647.9
Errors	39.5	-85.5	14.6	-138.7
Timing	69.4	3.2	55.9	-67.1
Other	298.0	105.6	—	185.5
Non-Receipt of Documents	—	1,950.1	303.0	—
Reconciled Value	27,649.9	27,649.9	29,299.0	29,299.1

Details may not sum to totals because of independent rounding.

Notes to Table

Published Totals:

The 1977 data for the U.S. reflects all revisions as shown in the December 1977 issue of the FT990 Highlights of U.S. Exports and Import Trade. The Canadian figures for 1977 reflect the totals as published at the end of the year and include trade with Puerto Rico.

Trade Definition:

Adjustments to harmonize definitions of "merchandise trade transactions".

Valuation:

Generally, adjustment of Customs values to transactions values.

Non-Receipt of Documents:

Provides for inclusion of shipments for which statistical documents were not received.

Transportation:

Removal of transportation charges included in statistics.

Timing:

Adjustment to harmonize time periods covered by published figures.

Errors:

Net adjustment for processing or respondent errors discovered in reconciliation of transaction records.

Other:

In the case of Canada, mainly the addition of shipments of Central or South American origin consigned to Canada from the United States but credited to the country of origin in Canadian import statistics. In the case of the United States, mainly the addition of re-exports from Canada of goods of third-country origin, which are credited to the country of origin in United States imports statistics.

country's balance of payments figures on a current basis.

The most significant reconciliation adjustment for 1977 was an addition of almost \$2 billion for non-receipt of U.S. export documents (the corresponding adjustment to Canadian exports was \$303 million). Other large adjustments made to the figures include a reduction of \$648 million from U.S. imports to remove transportation charges; under trade definition, an addition of \$613 million to U.S. imports representing natural gas drawn off a pipeline usually used for transshipping Canadian gas through the U.S.; and a reduction of \$364 million from Canadian imports representing goods priced above transaction value. These and a number of other adjustments were made to published figures to achieve reconciliation, as illustrated in the accompanying table.

In an historical context, the statistical discrepancy in published measures of the trade balance showed a significant worsening during the late 1960s and early 1970s (see chart). Due to the reconciliation program, a number of causes have been identified and changes have been made in the recognized starting figures to achieve closer harmonization:

- Since 1974, U.S. grain trans-shipped through Canada has not been recorded as an export to Canada in U.S. statistics;
- Special tooling charges in Canadian export and import statistics have been excluded;

- Beginning in 1976, U.S. import statistics are valued on an f.a.s. (free alongside ship) basis — transaction value at the U.S. port of exit;
- Puerto Rico has been included as part of the U.S. in the Canadian starting figures;
- Starting in 1976 for Canada, and in 1978 for the U.S., non-monetary gold has been included in merchandise trade statistics.

In recent years, the size of the statistical discrepancy in the measured balance (shown in chart on a quarterly basis) appears to have been fairly stable. The U.S. measure is consistently above the reconciled balance while the Canadian measure is somewhat lower. This relative position arises because, in general, export statistics tend to underestimate trade flows, largely due to non-receipt of documents, while import statistics tend to over-estimate trade flows because there is some tendency to record higher than transaction values and to include the cost of freight. Thus, prior to reconciliation adjustments, each country's own statistics tend to show it with a smaller surplus or larger deficit than do the statistics of the partner country.

For further information, contact David Caldwell (613-996-6247), International Reconciliation Section, External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Summary by Sectors, Canada

1977 to 1979*

(Millions of dollars)

		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Agriculture and fishing	1977	607.4	2,388.9	2,996.3
	1978	718.6	2,772.5	3,491.1
	1979	807.1	2,969.9	3,777.0
Forestry	1977	105.0	115.5	220.5
	1978	103.9	131.9	235.8
	1979	114.4	145.5	259.9
Mining, quarrying and oil wells	1977	2,839.6	1,025.3	3,864.9
	1978	3,018.8	773.4	3,792.2
	1979	3,630.5	775.5	4,406.0
Construction industry	1977	131.2	689.1	820.3
	1978	141.7	745.4	887.1
	1979	152.3	800.5	952.8
Manufacturing	1977	1,658.9	4,421.8	6,080.7
	1978	1,674.7	4,565.1	6,239.8
	1979	1,630.0	5,167.9	6,797.9
Utilities	1977	5,073.4	4,114.5	9,187.9
	1978	5,791.2	4,909.8	10,701.0
	1979	6,332.5	5,419.5	11,752.0
Trade, wholesale and retail	1977	362.9	757.8	1,120.7
	1978	350.1	755.8	1,105.9
	1979	368.9	829.0	1,197.9
Finance, insurance and real estate	1977	1,882.5	244.3	2,126.8
	1978	2,104.2	291.8	2,396.0
	1979	2,409.2	313.0	2,722.2
Commercial services	1977	359.5	1,727.6	2,087.1
	1978	400.0	2,005.3	2,405.3
	1979	502.2	2,497.2	2,999.4
Institutions	1977	1,179.7	334.5	1,514.2
	1978	1,190.8	360.7	1,551.5
	1979	1,395.7	387.6	1,783.3
Government departments	1977	4,865.3	648.0	5,513.3
	1978	5,391.8	665.8	6,057.6
	1979	5,758.3	601.5	6,359.8
Housing	1977	11,064.8	—	11,064.8
	1978	11,374.9	—	11,374.9
	1979	11,714.8	—	11,714.8
Total (items 1 to 12)	1977	30,130.2	16,467.3	46,597.5
	1978	32,260.7	17,977.5	50,238.2
	1979	34,815.9	19,907.1	54,723.0

* Actual expenditures 1977, preliminary actual 1978, intentions 1979.

Private and Public Investment in Canada, Outlook 1979 (catalogue 61-205, \$1.05)

This current release of estimates of capital expenditures in Canada for 1979, 1978 and 1977 replaces the advance estimates included in the *Daily* of February 26, 1979. Following that earlier release, detailed estimates for the provinces and for repair expenditures were compiled with inclusion of further survey response and information which resulted in some minor revisions to the amounts shown on February 26. Estimates by industry group for each of the provinces and nationally are now available from the CANSIM data bank along with further provincial and national detail according to the private and public categories. Also included on CANSIM are the estimates for non-capitalized repairs. All amounts being released are in current dollars without any adjustments for price changes during the years covered.

The new total of capital expenditures during 1979 in the Canadian economy is now estimated at \$54,723 million, 8.9% higher than the \$50,238 million in 1978. The current measurement for 1978, marginally higher than the mid-year estimate of \$49,950 million, is now estimated to have been 7.8% over the \$46,598 million in 1977 compared with 7.4% at mid-year for 1978. The latest totals reflect some minor changes from those released February 26 for utilities, manufacturing and finance.

Capital expenditures for total construction are now expected to reach \$34,816 million in 1979, \$32,261 million in 1978 and \$30,130 million in 1977. These amounts represent an increase of 7.9% of 1979 over 1978 and 7.1% of 1978 over 1977. Totals for the non-residential portion are estimated at \$23,101 million for 1979 (+10.6%), \$20,886 million for 1978 (+9.5%) and \$19,065 million for 1977. Residential construction estimates are unchanged from the first release on February 26 with totals of \$11,715 million, \$11,375 million and \$11,065 million for the same three years and represent increases of 3.0% in 1979 and 2.8% in 1978. The totals for machinery and equipment are \$19,907 million in 1979 (+10.7%), \$17,978 million in 1978 (+9.2%) and \$16,467 million in 1977.

The new totals for 1979 and 1978 for total business capital spending show little change from the levels reported in the release of February 26. The current year 1979 remains 11.6% higher than 1978 which in turn was 9.6% above 1977. Totals for the three years are \$34,865 million, \$31,254 million and \$28,505 million. The new totals for outlays of social capital of institutions and governments are shown at \$8,143 million for 1979 (+7.0%), \$7,609 million for 1978 (+8.3%) and \$7,028 million for 1977.

Total non-capitalized repairs for existing structures and machinery are estimated at \$15,340 million in 1979, a level 8.4% above the 1978 total of \$14,145 million. Repairs to structures amount to \$6,699 million, up 9.4% from \$6,124 million last year; repairs to machinery and equipment at \$8,641 million are 7.7% higher than the \$8,021 million recorded in 1977. Adding the repair activity to that of capital spending represents total potential construction activity of \$41,515 million, an increase of 8.2% above the 1978 level, and a machinery-related program of \$28,548 million that is up by 9.8% over 1978.

Capital expenditure programs are expected to be higher in 1979 than 1978 in all the provinces and territories (in current dollars). Increases are projected as follows: Newfoundland 29.3%; Alberta 11.5%; Yukon and Northwest Territories 10.3%; Ontario 10.1%; British Columbia 9.7%; Saskatchewan 8.8%; Quebec 5.9%; Nova Scotia 4.4%; New Brunswick 4.2%; Prince Edward Island 4.1%; and Manitoba 0.7%. (The following detail by province reflects a ranking of increases or decreases according to dollar amounts accompanied by the percentage change represented.)

The Atlantic Region as a whole shows some strength in 1979 with an increase of \$342 million or 10.0% over 1978. Most of the gain originates in Newfoundland where higher capital expenditures are expected for the primary industries group (+\$94 million, +92.7%), manufacturing (+\$36 million, +83.9%), utilities (+\$39 million, +27.4%), institutions and governments (+\$39 million, +16.0%), and for housing (+\$40 million, +28.8%). The only exception is the trade-finance-commercial group which is projected to be lower (-\$20

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Comparisons, Capital Expenditures

	1979 intentions with 1978 preliminary actual		1978 preliminary actual with 1977 actual	
	\$ millions	% change	\$ millions	% change
Agriculture and fishing	285.9	8.2	494.8	16.5
Forestry	24.1	10.2	15.3	6.9
Mining, quarrying and oil wells	613.8	16.2	-72.7	-1.9
Construction industry	65.7	7.4	66.8	8.1
Manufacturing	558.1	8.9	159.1	2.6
Utilities	1,051.0	9.8	1,513.1	16.5
Trade	92.0	8.3	-14.8	-1.3
Finance, insurance and real estate	326.2	13.6	269.2	12.6
Commercial services	594.1	24.7	318.2	15.2
Total Business	3,610.9	11.6	2,749.0	9.6
Institutions	231.8	14.9	37.3	2.5
Government departments	302.2	5.0	544.3	9.9
Social (excl. housing)	534.0	7.0	581.6	8.3
Housing (construction)	339.9	3.0	310.1	2.8
Total Capital	4,484.8	8.9	3,640.7	7.8
Other comparisons				
Total construction	2,555.2	7.9	2,130.5	7.1
Non-residential construction	2,215.3	10.6	1,820.4	9.5
Total machinery and equipment	1,929.6	10.7	1,510.2	9.2

million, -18.1%). In the other three provinces of the region, gains are registered for the primary industries group, and institutions and governments, with Nova Scotia also showing notable strength for manufacturing (+\$24 million, +25.1%) and for the trade-finance-commercial group (+\$17 million, +13.8%). Offsetting declines are expected for the utilities group in Nova Scotia (-\$36 million, -12.9%), and in New Brunswick (-\$24 million, -5.9%). Housing is projected to be marginally lower in all three provinces.

The increase of \$649 million or 5.9% in expected capital spending in Quebec in 1979 reflects gains in most sectors except for housing which is projected to be lower by \$85 million or 3.9%. The most notable total gain is for the utilities group of transportation (+\$110 million, +27.8%), communications (+\$37 million, +6.9%), and miscellaneous utilities, including electric power (+\$169 million, +6.4%). Manufacturing is up by \$138 million or 9.9% in 1979 mostly as a result of programs for primary metals (+\$108 million, +69.8%), food and beverages (+\$51 million, +41.9%), and transportation equipment (+\$39 million, +99.0%). Increases for these and other industries more than offset declines for chemicals (-\$100 million, -32.9%), paper products (-\$30 million, -11.8%) and metal fabricating (-\$13 million, -22.0%). In the rest of the business sector, the trade-finance-commercial group shows higher capital outlays (+\$92 million, +8.6%) as does the primary industries group (+\$82 million, +9.5%) where mining and agriculture account for most of the increase. In the social capital group of institutions and government departments, the increase of \$105 million or 5.5% reflects higher expected spending by provincial government departments (+\$64 million, +12.0%) and for hospitals and schools (+\$62 million, +19.3%) with an offsetting decline for federal government departments (-\$33 million, -12.6%).

In Ontario, the increase of \$1,547 million or 10.1% in capital programs is dominated by the utilities group (+\$504 million, +16.9%) which in turn reflects gains for

miscellaneous utilities, including electric power (+\$368 million, +23.1%), transportation (+\$104 million, +15.0%), and communication (+\$33 million, +4.8%). The projected rise in housing activity of \$375 million or 10.2% is followed by that of the trade-finance-commercial group which increases by \$308 million or 14.1%. In manufacturing (+\$194 million, +6.1%), transportation equipment is the strongest element with a gain of \$245 million or 69.5%, followed by food and beverages with an increase of \$54 million or 22.8%. The advances by these and other manufacturing industries in Ontario are partly offset by a change in size of the programs for chemicals, including heavy water (-\$125 million, -18.1%) and for petroleum refineries (-\$115 million, -59.5%). The total for institutions and government departments is higher as a result of institutions advancing by \$26 million or 7.3% and governments by \$37 million or 2.2%. Capital spending by provincial government departments is projected to be \$61 million or 10.4% higher but federal departments are expected to spend \$49 million or 16.6% less than in 1978 in Ontario.

The Prairie Region is showing a gain of \$1,293 million or 9.4%, largely as a result of a significant gain for Alberta (+\$1,063 million, +11.5%). In that province the small decrease for manufacturing (-\$6 million, -0.8%) has little impact on the large gains for the primary industries group (+\$370 million, +11.7%), for the trade-finance-commercial group (+\$368 million, +34.5%), for utilities (+\$164 million, +15.3%) and by institutions and governments (+\$134 million, +13.1%). Housing is also up by \$32 million or 1.4%. In Manitoba and Saskatchewan increases are also shown for primary industries, for the trade-finance-commercial group and for institutions and governments. Manitoba is projected as having \$32 million or 6.8% more capital spending in the primary industries, \$80 million or 35.3% more in trade-finance-commercial activity and \$30 million or 10.4% more for institutions and (continued)

governments. However, in that province utilities show a decline of \$78 million and housing is projected at a level \$63 million lower. Saskatchewan on the other hand shows increases of \$79 million or 8.2% for the primary industries group, \$49 million or 25.7% for the trade-finance-commercial group and \$57 million or 14.4% for institutions and governments with only minor increases for utilities and housing.

In British Columbia, an increase of \$602 million or 9.7% in capital spending in 1979 represents a wide range of increases, the largest of which is in utilities (+\$153 million, +11.0%). Mining and petroleum and gas development contributes to most of the gain of \$139 million or 14.6% for the primary industries while the manufacture of wood products, primary metals and non-metallic minerals provides most of the impetus for the additional \$132 million or 22.3% in over-all manufacturing. The trade-finance-commercial group is also expected to advance (+\$119 million, +15.9%). In housing and social capital, housing is projected to be \$48 million higher (+3.1%), and institutions are shown higher by \$18 million or 7.3%, while governments are expected to be lower by \$7 million or 1% because of decreased spending by federal government departments (-\$33 million, -21.6%). The totals for the Yukon and Northwest Territories (combined) show capital spending as \$53 million or 10.3% higher in 1979, almost entirely as a result of activity by the primary industries group (+\$44 million, +14.4%), followed by the program for utilities (+\$6 million, +23.2%).

Further information may be obtained by contacting Duncan Lusick or Richard Landry (613-995-9013), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. The publication *Private and Public Investment in Canada, Outlook 1979* (catalogue no. 61-205) which contains the tables accompanying this advance release, is planned for issue in early April.

(see tables on pages 7 — 9)

Aggregate Productivity Measures, 1972-1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates of output per man-hour for all commercial industries show an increase of 0.9% in 1978. This increase is less than 2.8% gain in 1977 and below the average growth rate of 2.1% a year from 1971. Unit labour cost increased 4.8% in 1978, notably lower than the average growth rate of 9.6% a year from 1971. Compensation per man-hour rose 5.7% in 1978, the smallest increase in a number of years.

Output per man-hour in manufacturing increased 4.2% in 1978, down from the 4.8% increase in 1977. Unit labour cost was up 2.7% in 1978, the smallest increase since the beginning of the decade (the average rate of growth in unit labour cost for the years 1971-78 was 9.3% a year).

For further information, contact Ms M. Larose (613-995-8261), Input-Output Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see table on page 11)

Federal Government Employment, Fourth Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

Employees of the Federal Government (including members of the Canadian Armed Forces) and Government enterprises numbered 581,500 at December 31, 1978. This represented a decrease of 7,530 from a year earlier, principally due to a decline in the number of part-time Christmas employees of the Post Office Department and a reduction in the staff of Veterans Affairs as a result of the transfer of certain veterans' hospitals to provincial administration.

Gross payrolls (including overtime and retroactive payments) for October-December 1978 totalled \$2,347.2 million, an increase of \$165.6 million over the revised figure for the corresponding quarter in 1977.

The October-December issue of *Federal Government Employment* (72-004, 70¢/\$2.80) will be released at a later date. Additional information may be obtained by contacting Mr. G.M. McIlveen (613-995-9894), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ending March 7, 1979 — Published Only in the *Daily*

Loadings of revenue freight by railways in Canada totalled 4.1 million t (4.6 million short tons) in the above-noted period, a decrease of 4.1% from the corresponding seven days in 1978. Tonnage decreased by 4.9% in the East and 3.2% in the West.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments (included above) declined 1.3% in the East and rose 11.8% in the West to register an over-all increase of 1.9%.

In the period January 1 to March 7, 1979, freight loaded by rail in Canada aggregated 36.4 million t (40.2 million short tons), down 2.3% from the same period in 1978. Loadings in the East were down 5.4%, while Western loadings showed a gain of 1.5%. Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic was 0.8% below the 1978 level.

For further information, contact Mr. M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see table on page 10)

Airport Activity, July 1978 — Advance Information

Airport activity statistics for the top 50 airports in Canada are now available for the month of July 1978.

Total scheduled enplaned plus deplaned passenger statistics for Toronto International, Montreal (Dorval) International and Mirabel International are shown in the accompanying table.

The complete airport tables and further information may be obtained by contacting Mr. E. DiSanza (819-997-1986), Airport Activity Survey, Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Airport Activity,

July 1978 and 1977

	Toronto International	Montreal International	Mirabel International
July 1978	1,117,335	511,142	148,590
July 1977	1,021,710	476,785	148,970
% change	9.4	7.2	-0.3

Private and Public Investment in Canada by Province

Actual 1977

	Capital Expenditures		Total Capital Expenditures
	Construction	Machinery and Equipment	
(Millions of dollars)			
Newfoundland			
Private	296.1	165.7	461.8
Public	215.6	34.4	250.0
Total	511.7	200.1	711.8
Prince Edward Island			
Private	57.0	41.0	98.0
Public	29.0	3.5	32.5
Total	86.0	44.5	130.5
Nova Scotia			
Private	379.8	233.9	613.7
Public	347.0	79.8	426.8
Total	726.8	313.7	1,040.5
New Brunswick			
Private	333.9	242.2	576.1
Public	403.6	175.2	578.8
Total	737.5	417.4	1,154.9
Quebec			
Private	3,883.2	2,361.6	6,244.8
Public	3,354.0	1,103.5	4,457.5
Total	7,237.2	3,465.1	10,702.3
Ontario			
Private	6,275.8	4,741.4	11,017.2
Public	2,448.7	1,266.3	3,715.0
Total	8,724.5	6,007.7	14,732.2
Manitoba			
Private	669.2	468.8	1,138.0
Public	479.7	279.6	759.3
Total	1,148.9	748.4	1,897.3
Saskatchewan			
Private	845.3	681.5	1,526.8
Public	468.8	273.7	742.5
Total	1,314.1	955.2	2,269.3
Alberta			
Private	4,426.6	2,045.1	6,471.7
Public	968.5	385.6	1,354.1
Total	5,395.1	2,430.7	7,825.8
British Columbia			
Private	2,537.1	1,388.9	3,926.0
Public	1,247.6	419.7	1,667.3
Total	3,784.7	1,808.6	5,593.3
Northwest Territories and Yukon			
Private	351.6	63.1	414.7
Public	112.1	12.8	124.9
Total	463.7	75.9	539.6
Canada			
Private	20,055.6	12,433.2	32,488.8
Public	10,074.6	4,034.1	14,108.7
Total	30,130.2	16,467.3	46,597.5

Private and Public Investment in Canada by Province

Preliminary Actual 1978

	Capital Expenditures		Total Capital Expenditures
	Construction	Machinery and Equipment	
(Millions of dollars)			
Newfoundland			
Private	295.1	164.1	459.2
Public	259.1	61.1	320.2
Total	554.2	225.2	779.4
Prince Edward Island			
Private	78.5	38.7	117.2
Public	39.9	7.1	47.0
Total	118.4	45.8	164.2
Nova Scotia			
Private	398.3	236.9	635.2
Public	400.9	167.2	568.1
Total	799.2	404.1	1,203.3
New Brunswick			
Private	375.7	271.1	646.8
Public	408.0	218.1	626.1
Total	783.7	489.2	1,272.9
Quebec			
Private	3,465.2	2,560.6	6,025.8
Public	3,807.1	1,162.5	4,969.6
Total	7,272.3	3,723.1	10,995.4
Ontario			
Private	6,259.8	5,157.9	11,417.7
Public	2,603.8	1,354.8	3,958.6
Total	8,863.6	6,512.7	15,376.3
Manitoba			
Private	835.5	551.8	1,387.3
Public	433.5	238.1	671.6
Total	1,269.0	789.9	2,058.9
Saskatchewan			
Private	825.5	801.5	1,627.0
Public	566.7	248.6	815.3
Total	1,392.2	1,050.1	2,442.3
Alberta			
Private	5,432.2	2,264.2	7,696.4
Public	1,148.4	415.3	1,563.7
Total	6,580.6	2,679.5	9,260.1
British Columbia			
Private	2,785.5	1,536.1	4,321.6
Public	1,440.1	414.3	1,854.4
Total	4,225.6	1,950.4	6,176.0
Northwest Territories and Yukon			
Private	263.5	89.5	353.0
Public	138.4	18.0	156.4
Total	401.9	107.5	509.4
Canada			
Private	21,014.8	13,672.4	34,687.2
Public	11,245.9	4,305.1	15,551.0
Total	32,260.7	17,977.5	50,238.2

Private and Public Investment in Canada by Province

Intentions, 1979

	Capital Expenditures		Total Capital Expenditures
	Construction	Machinery and Equipment	
(Millions of dollars)			
Newfoundland			
Private	403.0	205.2	608.2
Public	311.4	88.4	399.8
Total	714.4	293.6	1,008.0
Prince Edward Island			
Private	78.8	41.6	120.4
Public	43.5	7.0	50.5
Total	122.3	48.6	170.9
Nova Scotia			
Private	423.1	267.2	690.3
Public	420.9	145.7	566.6
Total	844.0	412.9	1,256.9
New Brunswick			
Private	374.7	287.3	662.0
Public	450.0	214.0	664.0
Total	824.7	501.3	1,326.0
Quebec			
Private	3,438.2	2,950.3	6,388.5
Public	4,145.1	1,110.6	5,255.7
Total	7,583.3	4,060.9	11,644.2
Ontario			
Private	6,791.9	5,673.4	12,465.3
Public	2,726.2	1,731.9	4,458.1
Total	9,518.1	7,405.3	16,923.4
Manitoba			
Private	810.2	630.7	1,440.9
Public	443.4	189.5	632.9
Total	1,253.6	820.2	2,073.8
Saskatchewan			
Private	899.2	889.5	1,788.7
Public	647.7	220.7	868.4
Total	1,546.9	1,110.2	2,657.1
Alberta			
Private	6,074.0	2,472.4	8,546.4
Public	1,356.9	419.9	1,776.8
Total	7,430.9	2,892.3	10,323.2
British Columbia			
Private	2,980.6	1,822.8	4,803.4
Public	1,575.0	399.1	1,974.1
Total	4,555.6	2,221.9	6,777.5
Northwest Territories and Yukon			
Private	295.4	118.3	413.7
Public	126.7	21.6	148.3
Total	422.1	139.9	562.0
Canada			
Private	22,569.1	15,358.7	37,927.8
Public	12,246.8	4,548.4	16,795.2
Total	34,815.9	19,907.1	54,723.0

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending March 7, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,385,724	2,181,759	4,567,483
Short tons, 1978	2,509,539	2,254,731	4,764,270
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 164 292	1 979 258	4 143 550
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 276 615	2 045 458	4 322 073
% change	-4.9	-3.2	-4.1
Cars, 1979	39,485	31,563	71,048
Cars, 1978	40,476	33,432	73,908
% change	-2.4	-5.6	-3.9
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	180,927	65,257	246,184
Short tons, 1978	183,275	58,368	241,643
Metric tonnes, 1979	164 134	59 200	223 334
Metric tonnes, 1978	166 264	52 951	219 215
% change	-1.3	11.8	1.9
Cars, 1979	5,487	2,409	7,896
Cars, 1978	5,466	2,419	7,885
% change	0.4	-0.4	0.1
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	21,116,156	19,059,797	40,175,953
Short tons, 1978	22,327,814	18,774,946	41,102,760
Metric tonnes, 1979	19 156 254	17 290 757	36 447 011
Metric tonnes, 1978	20 255 452	17 032 345	37 287 797
% change	-5.4	1.5	-2.3
Cars, 1979	346,190	281,365	627,555
Cars, 1978	357,223	283,818	641,041
% change	-3.1	-0.9	-2.1
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	1,463,241	573,584	2,036,825
Short tons, 1978	1,524,857	528,815	2,053,672
Metric tonnes, 1979	1 327 430	520 347	1 847 777
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 383 327	479 733	1 863 060
% change	-4.0	8.5	-0.8
Cars, 1979	44,751	21,931	66,682
Cars, 1978	45,137	21,528	66,665
% change	-0.9	1.9	—

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Selected Principal Statistics for Poultry Processors

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1012		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	87	88	1.1
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	7,583	8,113	7.0
Man-hours paid	000's	15,865	16,865	6.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	72,404	83,169	14.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	6,414	7,684	19.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	480,253	518,335	7.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	627,943	680,064	8.3
Value added	\$000	157,229	153,044	-2.7
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	8,801	9,406	6.9
Total salaries and wages	\$000	88,822	101,391	14.2
Total value added	\$000	161,899	157,716	-2.6

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Poultry Processors, 1977* (32-227, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Tobacco Products Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1530		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	15	14	-0.7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	5,320	5,300	-0.4
Man-hours paid	000's	10,009	9,516	-4.9
Manufacturing wages	\$000	71,919	80,291	11.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,169	3,908	23.3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	288,409	315,664	9.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	656,841	715,107	8.9
Value added	\$000	367,850	402,086	9.3
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	8,076	8,095	0.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	115,389	129,530	12.3
Total value added	\$000	368,616	403,707	9.5

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Tobacco Products Industries, 1977* (32-225, 70¢).

Index of Labour Productivity and Unit Labour Cost, Canada

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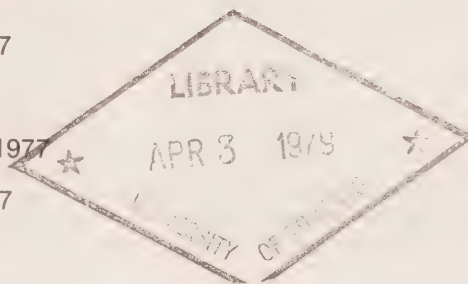
	Output	Man-hours	Labour Compensation	Output per man-hour	Unit Labour Cost
	(1971=100)				
All commercial industries					
1972	106.2	102.3	111.1	103.7	104.6
1973	114.9	107.6	129.6	106.8	112.8
1974	120.0	112.2	154.4	106.9	128.7
1975	120.4	112.6	178.5	106.9	148.3
1976	127.5	113.5	203.8	112.2	159.9
1977	131.8	114.3	224.3	115.3	170.2
1978	136.8	117.6	244.0	116.3	178.3
Annual rate of change (%)					
1961-78	5.3	1.7	10.9	3.5	5.3
1971-78	4.4	2.2	14.3	2.1	9.6
1975-76	5.9	0.8	14.2	5.0	7.8
1976-77	3.4	0.7	10.1	2.8	6.4
1977-78	3.8	2.9	8.8	0.9	4.8
Manufacturing					
1972	107.2	102.5	110.6	104.6	103.1
1973	116.9	107.0	126.7	109.3	108.4
1974	120.8	108.7	148.9	111.1	123.2
1975	114.1	105.2	165.0	108.5	144.6
1976	120.2	105.9	189.5	113.5	157.7
1977	124.8	105.0	207.8	118.9	166.5
1978	134.1	108.2	229.2	123.9	170.9
Annual rate of change (%)					
1961-78	5.1	1.2	9.8	3.9	4.4
1971-78	3.4	0.7	13.0	2.7	9.3
1975-76	5.3	0.7	14.9	4.6	9.0
1976-77	3.8	-0.9	9.7	4.8	5.6
1977-78	7.5	3.1	10.3	4.2	2.7

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35-003 (30¢/\$3) Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, December 1978

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32-023 (\$1.40 a year) Fruit and Vegetable Preservation Vol. 7, No. 8, Pack of Processed Beans, Green and Wax, 1978

Housing Starts, in Centres of 10,000 Population and Over (Dwelling Units)

February 1979 and 1978

	1978					1979				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	10	10	10	—	30	9	—	—	—	9
Prince Edward Island	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	18	19
Nova Scotia	110	4	17	74	205	69	6	—	24	99
New Brunswick	50	—	—	—	50	22	—	—	—	22
Quebec	611	97	54	1,610	2,372	669	178	21	553	1,421
Ontario	745	446	552	931	2,674	513	114	223	512	1,362
Manitoba	154	92	196	488	930	85	20	28	30	163
Saskatchewan	160	2	—	86	248	177	46	20	227	470
Alberta	865	376	512	1,580	3,333	668	121	682	591	2,062
British Columbia	698	134	191	896	1,919	512	44	231	89	876
Canada Unadjusted	3,403	1,161	1,532	5,665	11,761	2,725	529	1,205	2,044	6,503
	multiples					multiples				
Canada, adjusted annual rate (000's)	81.2	148.7			229.9	65.2	66.2			131.4
Canada Cumulative	6,613	2,494	3,250	14,362	26,719	6,584	1,260	2,248	7,944	18,036
Newfoundland	36	10	10	31	87	18	—	—	—	18
Prince Edward Island	9	—	—	—	9	2	—	—	43	45
Nova Scotia	222	12	17	205	456	133	6	—	72	211
New Brunswick	77	4	—	16	97	94	2	—	—	96
Quebec	1,361	175	59	3,584	5,179	1,633	330	36	1,674	3,673
Ontario	1,433	1,012	891	3,219	6,555	1,313	302	465	1,798	3,878
Manitoba	304	209	420	1,554	2,487	196	78	45	636	955
Saskatchewan	303	82	16	900	1,301	506	66	20	324	916
Alberta	1,594	678	1,428	2,898	6,598	1,571	397	1,271	2,172	5,411
British Columbia	1,274	312	409	1,955	3,950	1,118	79	411	1,225	2,833

For further information, order the February issue of *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact J.P. D  lisle (613-995-8213), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Mineral Production, January 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian mineral production for January 1979, with January 1978 figures in brackets:

- Gold, 129,231 troy ounces (131,955).
- Silver, 3,536,917 troy ounces (3,227,681).
- Primary copper, 48,160 short tons (62,005).
- Primary nickel, 6,943 short tons (17,786).
- Refined lead, 16,139 short tons (15,955).
- Refined zinc, 54,041 short tons (43,605).

For further information, order the January issue of *Canada's Leading Minerals* (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact John Brennan (613-995-9351), Statistics Section, Information Systems Division, Mineral Policy Sector, Energy, Mines and Resources, Ottawa K1A 0E4.

Iron Ore, January 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian mines shipped 2,532,904 short tons of iron ore in January 1979 compared to 2,061,741 short tons a year earlier.

For further information, order the January issue of *Production of Canada's Leading Minerals* (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact John Brennan (613-995-9351), Statistics Section, Information Systems Division, Mineral Policy Sector, Energy, Mines and Resources, Ottawa K1A 0E4.

Residential Building Construction Input Price IndexesFebruary 1979 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Feb. 1978	% Change	
				Feb. 79/ Jan. 79	Feb. 79/ Feb. 78
Canada, Total	203.3	201.9	184.5	0.7	10.2
Materials	198.1	195.9	176.0	1.1	12.6
Labour	212.6	212.6	199.6	—	6.5
Atlantic Provinces, Total	212.3	211.4	193.7	0.4	9.6
Materials	196.9	195.5	177.7	0.7	10.8
Labour	239.0	239.0	221.3	—	8.0
Quebec, Total	208.6	207.2	186.9	0.7	11.6
Materials	206.7	204.6	181.7	1.0	13.8
Labour	212.0	212.0	196.8	—	7.7
Ontario, Total	196.7	195.4	178.0	0.6	10.5
Materials	193.1	191.2	170.4	1.0	13.3
Labour	202.7	202.7	191.0	—	6.1
Prairie Provinces, Total	211.0	209.4	195.8	0.8	7.8
Materials	198.6	196.1	182.3	1.3	8.9
Labour	235.1	235.1	222.1	—	5.9
British Columbia, Total	204.3	202.3	185.0	1.0	10.4
Materials	201.0	197.9	177.8	1.6	13.0
Labour	210.1	210.1	197.8	—	6.2

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mr. G.A. John (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Estimates of Production and Disappearance of Meats, 1978 — Advance Information

Disappearance of red meats in 1978 was 167.2 pounds per capita compared to 173.6 pounds in 1977. The per capita disappearance of pork and mutton and lamb increased by 4% and 6%, respectively. Beef and veal per capita disappearance decreased 6% and 19%, respectively.

For further information, order the 1978 issue of *Estimates of Production and Disappearance of Meats* (32-220, 35¢), or contact B.E. Rosien (613-995-4853), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, January 1979 — Advance Information

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 1,024.0 million feet board measure (2 416.4 m³) of lumber and ties in January compared to 1,019.4 million feet board measure (2 405.5 m³) in January 1978.

For further information, order the January issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Per Capita Disappearance of Red Meats

1977, 1978

	1977	1978	Change
		lbs.	
Beef	107.9	100.9	-7.0
Veal	4.8	3.9	-0.9
Pork	55.5	57.8	2.3
Mutton and Lamb	1.8	1.9	0.1
Offal	3.6	2.7	-0.9
Total	173.6	167.2	-6.4

Selected Principal Statistics for the Fish Products Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1020		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	319	310	-2.8
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	16,695	18,801	12.6
Man-hours paid	000's	35,494	40,308	13.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	148,743	186,903	25.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	13,809	16,671	20.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	470,251	595,036	26.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	742,002	965,825	30.2
Value added	\$000	285,272	364,656	27.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	19,568	21,937	12.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	185,290	228,857	23.5
Total value added	\$000	336,888	425,671	26.3

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Fish Products Industry, 1977* (32-216, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Vegetable Oil Mills

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1083		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	10	11	10.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	636	776	22.0
Man-hours paid	000's	1,329	1,613	21.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	7,903	10,471	32.4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	4,654	6,266	34.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	274,190	393,368	43.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	312,405	437,857	40.1
Value added	\$000	32,362	48,683	50.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	897	1,115	24.3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	12,164	16,050	31.9
Total value added	\$000	33,765	52,209	54.6

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Vegetable Oil Mills, 1977* (32-223, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Rubber Products Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 162		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	115	109	-5.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	19,543	19,469	-0.4
Man-hours paid	000's	40,664	40,466	-0.5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	225,350	242,918	7.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	26,024	30,369	16.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	571,518	650,411	13.8
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	1,212,168	1,306,435	7.8
Value added	\$000	604,727	678,271	12.2
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	28,618	28,507	-0.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	350,663	379,723	8.3
Total value added	\$000	653,562	756,217	15.7

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Rubber Products Industries 1977* (33-206, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Boiler and Plate Works

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 301		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	76	76	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	7,773	6,773	-12.9
Man-hours paid	000's	15,987	14,020	-12.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	124,930	118,190	-5.4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,647	3,773	3.5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	263,387	282,699	7.3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	535,150	558,636	4.5
Value added	\$000	264,295	259,082	-2.0
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	10,704	9,660	-9.8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	171,377	167,508	-2.3
Total value added	\$000	265,513	258,107	-2.8

For further information, contact Mr. Brian Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Boiler and Plate Works*, 1977 (41-223, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Iron Foundries

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 294		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	110	106	-3.6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	8,639	8,739	1.2
Man-hours paid	000's	17,947	17,863	-0.5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	107,302	118,382	10.3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	14,085	16,984	20.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	197,355	196,556	-0.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	440,079	465,239	5.7
Value added	\$000	237,751	250,701	5.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	10,365	10,459	0.9
Total salaries and wages	\$000	135,538	148,144	9.3
Total value added	\$000	241,893	257,682	6.5

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Iron Foundries*, 1977 (41-226, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Dental Laboratories

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3915		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	395	381	-3.5
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	3,097	3,527	13.9
Man-hours paid	000's	6,037	6,475	7.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	26,881	32,349	20.3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	—	—	—
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	15,812	24,925	57.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	60,416	67,148	11.1
Value added	\$000	44,109	42,223	-4.3
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	3,341	3,527	5.6
Total salaries and wages	\$000	30,403	32,349	6.4
Total value added	\$000	44,109	42,223	-4.3

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Scientific and Professional Equipment Industries*, 1977 (47-206, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for Motor Vehicle Parts and Accessories Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3250		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	238	236	-0.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	39,134	41,210	5.3
Man-hours paid	000's	84,046	90,138	7.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	558,132	657,585	17.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	38,847	49,726	28.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	1,733,017	2,071,627	19.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	3,112,322	3,790,188	21.8
Value added	\$000	1,400,481	1,713,783	22.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	47,331	49,755	5.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	699,264	822,985	17.7
Total value added	\$000	1,428,498	1,750,311	22.5

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Motor Vehicle Parts and Accessories Manufacturers, 1977* (42-210, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Miscellaneous Wood Industries

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 259		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	211	186	-11.8
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	5,447	5,049	-7.3
Man-hours paid	000's	11,308	10,536	-6.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	54,050	57,409	6.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	9,696	11,381	17.4
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	127,376	142,066	11.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	238,698	282,122	18.2
Value added	\$000	106,188	124,317	17.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	6,335	5,918	-6.6
Total salaries and wages	\$000	67,222	71,504	6.4
Total value added	\$000	109,575	126,105	15.1

For further information, contact Mr. C.F. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Wood Industries, 1977* (35-208, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Sound Recording and Musical Instruments Manufacturing Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3994		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	32	35	9.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,667	1,741	4.4
Man-hours paid	000's	3,560	3,640	2.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	15,153	16,745	10.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,035	1,552	50.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	26,707	29,834	11.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	90,198	98,601	9.3
Value added	\$000	62,460	69,937	12.0
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,447	2,501	2.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	26,225	28,454	8.5
Total value added	\$000	65,634	76,302	16.2

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries, 1977* (47-205, \$1.05).

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Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1979 Jan.	% Change
Index of Industrial Production	29.230	135.4	136.3	138.6	139.5	0.6
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	105.1	104.6	106.8	107.1	0.3
Metal mines	1.584	88.9	80.5	84.9	86.6	2.0
Mineral fuels	1.492	113.7	120.7	120.6	120.9	0.2
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	118.5	122.3	124.0	121.1	-2.3
Manufacturing industries	22.753	137.9	138.9	141.2	142.2	0.7
Food and beverage industries	3.107	116.8	118.0	117.5	120.4	2.5
Tobacco products industries	.212	115.2	111.6	116.1	111.4	-4.0
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	218.0	222.7	229.0	230.4	0.6
Leather industries	.206	104.0	104.8	107.8	109.8	1.9
Textile industries	.769	137.2	138.5	138.8	141.8	2.2
Knitting mills	.205	142.7	140.6	140.8	135.6	-3.7
Clothing industries	.742	132.9	137.5	137.0	133.7	-2.4
Wood industries	.968	162.1	161.5	162.2	158.8	-2.1
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	146.0	144.1	144.3	142.6	-1.2
Paper and allied industries	1.841	130.6	129.2	132.7	135.3	2.0
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	141.0	137.7	137.8	135.9	-1.4
Primary metal industries	1.976	125.4	127.5	128.6	127.9	-0.5
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.957	124.3	124.6	127.5	126.4	-0.9
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.001	159.9	163.5	165.9	168.6	1.6
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	148.5	152.6	158.2	160.2	1.3
Electrical products industries	1.631	124.1	125.7	129.2	128.8	-0.3
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	145.5	141.8	153.4	158.4	3.3
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	145.9	142.0	137.1	139.4	1.7
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.362	153.5	156.8	156.1	159.0	1.9
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	145.3	143.3	149.0	151.1	1.4
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.658	157.8	159.0	161.3	163.5	1.4
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.324	137.1	137.6	138.6	140.1	1.1
Durable manufacturing industries	11.429	138.7	140.2	143.8	144.2	0.3

Index of Industrial Production, January 1979 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted Index of Industrial Production (1971=100) increased 0.6% to 139.5 in January from 138.6 in December. Mining, utilities and manufacturing all showed increased output during the month.

For further information, order the January issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)*, (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended March 24, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended March 24 was 319,215 short tons (289 587 t), an increase of 2.0% over the preceding week's total of 312,899 short tons (283 857 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 307,976 short tons (279 391 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 174.2 in the current week, 170.8 a week earlier and 168.1 a year earlier.

For further information, contact Mr. Brian Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Jan. 1979f	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978r	Jan. 1978
	(\$ millions)			
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture, Fishing and Trapping	72.4	84.3	97.8	57.3
Forestry	110.2	112.9	121.3	94.4
Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells	267.7	265.6	264.4	252.7
Manufacturing Industries	2,400.3	2,353.2	2,393.8	2,099.3
Construction Industry	622.4	659.1	772.6	618.2
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	1,085.2	1,092.0	1,110.5	988.1
Trade	1,362.3	1,405.9	1,370.5	1,244.3
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	722.5	706.2	690.4	629.3
Commercial and Personal Service	967.8	966.1	965.8	869.8
Education and Related Services	1,122.0	1,104.4	1,114.3	1,034.3
Health and Welfare Services	645.8	650.2	644.0	598.7
Federal Administration and Other Government Offices	399.4	410.5	412.7	366.1
Provincial Administration	297.0	321.2	309.6	289.5
Local Administration	254.3	259.2	257.0	223.1
Total Wages and Salaries	10,329.4	10,390.6	10,524.6	9,365.2
Supplementary Labour Income	853.4	858.5	869.7	767.1
Labour Income	11,182.8	11,249.1	11,394.3	10,132.3
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture, Fishing and Trapping	114.3	111.5	116.0	94.5
Forestry	122.1	123.7	115.7	104.5
Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells	268.5	267.5	263.7	253.4
Manufacturing Industries	2,457.4	2,395.4	2,388.5	2,149.4
Construction Industry	742.6	750.2	741.4	737.6
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	1,109.4	1,115.4	1,120.4	1,010.3
Trade	1,387.2	1,357.0	1,347.5	1,267.1
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	728.5	717.5	700.5	634.4
Commercial and Personal Service	996.5	990.5	979.9	895.7
Education and Related Services	1,065.5	1,065.2	1,065.3	978.0
Health and Welfare Services	674.1	676.8	662.3	596.0
Federal Administration and Other Government Offices	408.3	418.6	418.9	374.3
Provincial Administration	303.5	319.5	312.7	295.6
Local Administration	256.6	257.8	262.6	225.1
Total Wages and Salaries	10,634.5	10,566.7	10,495.5	9,615.8
Supplementary Labour Income	878.0	873.1	867.5	787.6
Labour Income	11,512.5	11,439.8	11,362.9	10,403.4

f First Estimate

p Preliminary Estimate

r Revised Estimate

Estimates of Labour Income, January 1979 — Advance Information

Labour income for the month of January was estimated at \$11.2 billion, an increase of \$1,050.5 million or 10.4% from January 1978.

Adjusted for seasonal variation, wages and salaries increased by \$67.8 million between December and January to \$10.6 billion.

Detailed estimates will be published in the January-March issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, \$1.05/\$4.20), or may be obtained upon request from Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8431), Labour Income Section, Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Jan. 1979f (\$ millions)	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978r
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Newfoundland	144.4	147.0	148.7
Prince Edward Island	27.5	28.1	28.7
Nova Scotia	266.1	274.9	277.7
New Brunswick	207.7	213.4	217.0
Quebec	2,544.5	2,563.6	2,604.5
Ontario	4,248.0	4,240.3	4,301.8
Manitoba	401.4	403.7	406.0
Saskatchewan	305.3	313.3	317.4
Alberta	927.2	943.0	946.3
British Columbia	1,219.8	1,225.0	1,239.6
Yukon, Northwest Territories	37.3	38.3	36.8
Total Wages and Salaries	10,329.4	10,390.6	10,524.6
Supplementary Labour Income	853.4	858.5	869.7
Labour Income	11,182.8	11,249.1	11,394.3
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Newfoundland	153.7	152.0	147.8
Prince Edward Island	30.1	29.5	29.2
Nova Scotia	278.1	277.9	276.6
New Brunswick	218.4	220.4	216.9
Quebec	2,565.0	2,611.4	2,608.4
Ontario	4,380.4	4,286.7	4,280.0
Manitoba	417.0	412.9	406.2
Saskatchewan	322.0	319.2	315.8
Alberta	961.3	961.2	941.4
British Columbia	1,269.2	1,255.5	1,236.1
Yukon, Northwest Territories	39.5	39.9	37.0
Total Wages and Salaries	10,634.5	10,566.7	10,495.5
Supplementary Labour Income	878.0	873.1	867.5
Labour Income	11,512.5	11,439.8	11,362.9

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Retail Trade, January 1979 (Revised Data)

Revisions to preliminary data released in the *Daily* of March 19, 1979 show that seasonally-adjusted retail sales reached \$6,163.8 million in January, an increase of 3.1% from the \$5,978.3 million recorded in December 1978. Combination stores, which previously showed a decrease of 11.7%, now report a decrease of 1.9% from December. Nine provinces had increased sales ranging from 7.0% for Prince Edward Island to 0.9% for Nova Scotia. Saskatchewan (-4.6%) was the only province to report decreased sales from December.

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment reached \$5,098.4 million, an increase of 16.4% over January 1978. All provinces reported sales gains from a year earlier ranging from 22.8% for Newfoundland to 9.0% for Manitoba. Montreal sales rose 14.5%, Toronto, 11.6% and Vancouver 15.9%. Winnipeg sales decreased 0.5%.

For further information, order the January issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Local Government Employment, October-December 1978 — Advance Information

Municipalities in Canada employed an estimated 266,613 persons in general services at the end of December 1978, a decrease of 3% from the 274,817 reported at the end of the previous quarter. The number of employees at December 31, 1977 was 267,602.

Gross payrolls of Canadian municipalities for the fourth quarter of 1978 amounted to \$962,881,000, an increase of 1.6% over the \$948,044,000 reported for the third quarter. The total payroll for the year 1978 amounted to \$3,653,523,000, up from \$3,332,892,000 in 1977.

For further information, order the October-December issue of *Local Government Employment* (72-009, 70¢/\$2.80), or contact Mr. A.J. Gareau (613-995-9897), Local Government Section, Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Biscuit Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1071		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	41	37	-9.7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	5,420	5,286	-2.5
Man-hours paid	000's	11,198	10,608	-5.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	54,347	58,206	7.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,643	4,166	14.4
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	137,730	141,085	2.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	279,522	275,219	-1.5
Value added	\$000	136,357	132,156	-3.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	7,504	7,327	-2.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	80,592	85,867	6.5
Total value added	\$000	152,556	160,830	5.4

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Biscuit Manufacturers, 1977* (32-202, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Plastics Fabricating Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 165		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	661	646	-2.7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	22,304	22,274	-0.1
Man-hours paid	000's	44,981	45,172	0.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	200,901	220,633	9.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	18,939	23,809	25.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	588,961	648,869	10.2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	1,101,588	1,225,923	11.3
Value added	\$000	504,079	564,396	12.0
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	26,691	27,192	1.9
Total salaries and wages	\$000	271,792	302,135	11.2
Total value added	\$000	516,278	576,108	11.6

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Plastics Fabricating Industry, 1977* (47-208, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Fruit and Vegetable Processing Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 103		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	241	223	-7.5
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	14,280	12,987	-9.1
Man-hours paid	000's	30,355	27,329	-10.0
Manufacturing wages	\$000	122,715	124,098	1.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	16,831	19,429	15.4
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	626,143	650,042	3.8
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	1,055,043	1,100,839	4.3
Value added	\$000	417,136	449,584	7.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	18,714	17,173	-8.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	183,134	186,926	2.1
Total value added	\$000	456,810	480,523	5.2

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Fruit and Vegetable Processing Industry, 1977* (32-218, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Miscellaneous Metal Fabricating Industries

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 309		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	524	506	-2.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	18,277	17,871	-2.2
Man-hours paid	000's	38,112	37,224	-2.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	194,980	208,441	6.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	14,351	16,152	12.5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	492,154	503,491	2.3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	994,555	1,033,120	3.9
Value added	\$000	490,356	520,454	6.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	23,704	23,298	-1.7
Total salaries and wages	\$000	275,487	294,972	7.0
Total value added	\$000	504,393	535,854	6.2

For further information, contact Mr. Brian Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Metal Fabricating Industries, 1977* (41-228, 70¢).

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, December 1978 — Advance Information

Crude petroleum production for the month of December averaged 1,637,900 barrels daily (260 300 cubic metres/day), down 4.9% from 1,721,900 barrels/day (273 600 cubic metres/day) in December 1977.

Net new production of natural gas for the latest period averaged 11,486,200 Mcf./day (325 400 thousand cubic metres/day), an increase of 1.7% from 11,290,000 Mcf./day (319 800 thousand cubic metres/day) in December 1977.

For further information, order the December issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Now available is the publication *Agriculture Graphic Presentation, 1976 Census of Canada*, a compilation of 114 computer-prepared, thematic maps on agriculture in Canada. The coloured and black-and-white maps cover the following topics: number of farms, land use, farms by annual sales, farms by area of land, farms by products, field crops, horticultural crops, livestock and poultry, farm machinery and equipment, farm population, tenure and residence, off-farm work, age of operators, farm labour, and value of land and buildings.

The publication should prove useful to farm organizations, business and industry, government departments, economists, teachers and students as a quick source of information on the spatial distribution of the elements of Canadian agriculture and as a complement to the tabular publications already released. As well it will be of special interest to cartographers and geographers because of the new computerized map-making techniques used.

1976 Census of Canada: Agriculture Graphic Presentation (Catalogue No. 96-871, \$6 in Canada, \$7.20 elsewhere — for first printing, while supplies last) may be ordered from Publications Distribution, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. It should be noted that this special publication is not included in any sets of Census of Agriculture publications and should be ordered separately. For further information, contact Antoine Terjanian (613-995-4921), Co-ordinator, Content and Analysis Subdivision, Census of Agriculture, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

23-004 (70¢) Report on Livestock Surveys — Cattle, Sheep, January 1, 1979

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32-022 (15¢/\$1.50) **Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products**, February 1979

32-024 (15¢/\$1.50) **Production and Inventories of Process Cheese and Instant Skim Milk Powder**, February 1979

44-004 (15¢/\$1.50) **Mineral Wool**, February 1979

53-201 (70¢) **Road and Street Length and Financing**, 1976

72-002 (70¢/\$7) **Employment, Earnings and Hours**, December 1978

New Publication:

96-871 (\$6) **Agriculture — Graphic Presentation**, 1976 Census of Canada

Service Bulletin:

51-004 (\$4.20 per year), **Aviation Statistics Centre**, Vol. 11, No. 3, Canadian Air Transport Industry, Summary Statistics

Key Economic Series, April 1979

During the coming month, the release of Key Economic Series data is expected to be in accordance with the schedule outlined below. Where a range of dates is given for a series, this represents the period within which publication of the data can be reasonably expected, the variability taking account of circumstances peculiar to each series. Any range may be exceeded on rare occasions, for reasons unpredictable at this time.

March 26 to April 6: Unemployment Insurance Statistics, month of January;

April 2: Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, month of February;

April 4 to 12: Building Permits, month of January;

April 5 to 9: Industry Selling Price Index, month of February;

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April 12: The Consumer Price Index, month of March;

April 17 to 19: Retail Trade, month of February;

April 19 to 20: Inventories, Shipments and Orders, month of February;

April 19 to 23: Wholesale Trade, month of February;

April 19 to 25: Index of Industrial Production, month of February;

April 19 to 25: Employment, Earnings and Hours, month of February;

April 23 to 26: Real Domestic Product, month of February;

April 23 to May 4: Unemployment Insurance Statistics, month of February;

April 24 to 27: Labour Income, month of February.

Notice of advance information availability: *Field Crop Reporting Series*, No. 2, March Intentions of Principal Field Crop Area, Canada, to be released on April 6th, at 3 p.m. E.S.T. *Field Crop Reporting Series*, No. 3, Stocks of Grain at March 31st, to be released on April 20th, at 3 p.m. E.S.T.

It should be noted that the May schedule of Key Economic Series will appear in the *Daily* and on

CANSIM on April 26, 1979. The schedule of Key Economic Series is now available on CANSIM, and can be retrieved by using the command "DATES". The schedule will be issued once a month as noted above.

For any enquiry concerning the release of these series, contact Henri Sarrazin (613-992-1566), Production Planning and Scheduling Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Oilseeds, February 1979 — Advance Information

Crushings of oilseeds for February, with oil produced and meal produced (all figures in metric tonnes):

- Soybeans: 60 034 (10 405; 47 050).
- Rapeseed: 52 520 (21 342; 30 568).

For further information, order the February issue of *Grains and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, 40¢/\$4), or contact J.M. Huard (613-995-4881), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Electrical Utility Construction Price Indexes, 1978 and 1977 — Advance Information

Final 1977 figures and preliminary 1978 figures are now available for the Electrical Utility Construction Price Indexes. For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. Lloyd Swain (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

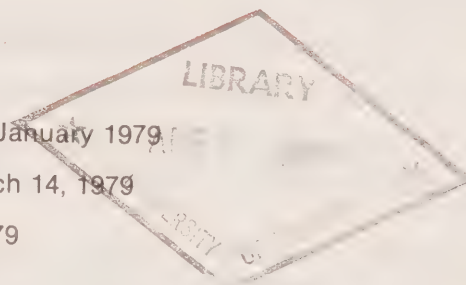
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Chemical and Petrochemical Process Plant Price Index (1971=100)

Figures for this index are now available from 1971 to the fourth quarter of 1978. This (quarterly) index measures the price change for construction of a processing plant of the type installed by chemical and petrochemical companies to process fluids. Data are available on CANSIM (matrix 121) and will be published on a regular basis, commencing with the March issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$4 a year). For further information, contact R.J. Lowe (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

33-003 (30¢/\$3) Consumption, Production and Inventories of Rubber, January 1979

41-011 (30¢/\$3) Production and Shipments of Steel Pipe, Tubing and Fittings, January 1979

61-208 (\$2.10) Corporation Taxation Statistics, 1976

65-003 (\$2.10/\$8.40) Exports by Countries, January-December 1978

92-809 (\$7) Population: Geographic Distributions, Census Metropolitan Areas and Census Agglomerations — Population and Housing Characteristics, 1976 Census of Canada

92-810 (\$5.75) Population: Geographic Distributions, Municipalities 5,000 Population and Over — Population and Housing Characteristics, 1976 Census of Canada

94-833 (\$1.50) Supplementary Bulletins: Economic Characteristics, Labour Force Activity by Age, School Attendance, Level of Schooling and Sex, 1976 Census of Canada

94-834 (\$3) Supplementary Bulletins: Economic Characteristics, Labour Force Activity by Selected Educational Characteristics, 1976 Census of Canada

94-837 (\$2.25) Supplementary Bulletins: Economic Characteristics, Labour Force Mobility by Educational Characteristics, 1976 Census of Canada

95-850 (\$3) Provincial Census Tracts, Population and Housing Characteristics, Atlantic Provinces, 1976 Census of Canada

95-852 (\$3) Provincial Census Tracts, Population and Housing Characteristics, Quebec, 1976 Census of Canada

95-854 (\$3) Provincial Census Tracts, Population and Housing Characteristics, Ontario, 1976 Census of Canada

95-856 (\$3) Provincial Census Tracts, Population and Housing Characteristics, Western Provinces and the Territories, 1976 Census of Canada

New Housing Price Indexes

(1976=100)

	Weights	% change				
		February 1979	January 1979	February 1978	Feb./79 Jan./79	Feb./79 Feb./78
St. John's	1.0	104.8	102.9	101.7	1.8	3.0
Halifax	1.7	102.3	102.3	102.2	—	0.1
Quebec	3.6	126.3	124.8	114.8	1.2	10.0
Montreal	9.5	109.6	109.2	106.0	0.4	3.4
Ottawa-Hull	5.7	100.9	101.8	101.0	-0.9	-0.1
Toronto	21.2	98.4	98.6	99.7	-0.2	-1.3
Hamilton	4.2	103.6	103.6	104.0	—	-0.4
St. Catharines-Niagara	2.3	114.6	114.6	112.6	—	1.8
Kitchener	2.9	102.9	102.9	102.0	—	0.9
London	2.4	111.1	111.1	108.3	—	2.6
Windsor	1.0	127.8	126.4	110.8	1.1	15.3
Thunder Bay	0.9	119.0	117.8	114.7	1.0	3.7
Winnipeg	3.7	110.9	110.2	107.2	0.6	3.5
Regina	2.3	100.9	99.7	97.6	1.2	3.4
Saskatoon	1.9	115.9	115.5	111.9	0.3	3.6
Calgary	9.9	119.7	119.6	108.1	0.1	10.7
Edmonton	9.8	119.8	119.0	110.9	0.7	8.0
Vancouver	10.6	97.7	97.6	97.9	0.1	-0.2
Victoria	1.9	95.2	95.2	95.8	—	-0.6
Canada Composite (22 cities)	100.0*	107.6	107.4	104.2	0.2	3.3
Canada Composite (House Only)	—	105.4	105.3	102.8	0.1	2.5
Canada Composite (Land Only)	—	112.9	112.6	107.6	0.3	4.9

* Surveys in New Brunswick, Sudbury and Prince George account for the remaining weight.

New Housing Price Indexes, February 1979 — Advance Information

The accompanying table provides price indexes for new houses (including land) for February 1979.

Indexes showing separately the price movement for new houses and for the serviced lots on which they stand are now available. These two new sets of indexes are derived from additional analysis of the data collected for the new housing price survey and incorporate builders' estimates of the values of houses and land separately. Indexes are available for individual metropolitan areas from the same dates as are the already-published indexes on the combined package. Canada indexes are available from 1976.

These indexes are available on CANSIM (matrix 85), and will be published on a regular basis, commencing with the March issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$4 a year). For further information, contact R.J. Lowe (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Oil Pipeline Transport, January 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian oil pipe lines received 421 700 cubic metres daily of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in January, an increase of 7.9% from the 390 800 m3D received a year earlier. Receipts of domestic petroleum and products increa-

sed 13.6% to 380 800 m3D, while those of imported petroleum and products decreased 26.3% to 40 900 m3D.

For further information, order the January issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, February 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,537,513,000 square feet (142 840 000 m2) of corrugated boxes and wrappers in February, an increase of 11.9% from 1,373,803,000 square feet (127 630 000 m2) a year earlier.

January to February shipments totalled 3,117,318,000 square feet (289 608 000 m2) in 1979 compared to 2,759,667,000 square feet (256 381 000 m2) in 1978.

For further information, order the February issue of *Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending March 14, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,672,110	2,186,472	4,858,582
Short tons, 1978	2,179,273	2,203,259	4,382,532
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 424 097	1 983 534	4 407 631
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 977 003	1 998 763	3 975 766
% change	22.6	-0.8	10.9
Cars, 1979	41,882	31,967	73,849
Cars, 1978	38,786	32,996	71,782
% change	8.0	-3.1	2.9
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	168,120	60,083	228,203
Short tons, 1978	181,523	60,575	242,098
Metric tonnes, 1979	152 516	54 506	207 022
Metric tonnes, 1978	164 675	54 953	219 628
% change	-7.4	-0.8	-5.7
Cars, 1979	4,978	2,387	7,365
Cars, 1978	5,407	2,444	7,851
% change	-7.9	-2.3	-6.2
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	23,788,266	21,246,269	45,034,535
Short tons, 1978	24,507,087	20,978,205	45,485,292
Metric tonnes, 1979	21 580 352	19 274 291	40 854 643
Metric tonnes, 1978	22 232 455	19 031 107	41 263 562
% change	-3.0	1.3	-1.0
Cars, 1979	388,072	313,332	701,404
Cars, 1978	396,009	316,814	712,823
% change	-2.0	-1.1	-1.6
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	1,631,361	633,667	2,265,028
Short tons, 1978	1,706,380	589,390	2,295,770
Metric tonnes, 1979	1 479 946	574 853	2 054 799
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 548 002	534 686	2 082 688
% change	-4.4	7.5	-1.3
Cars, 1979	49,729	24,318	74,047
Cars, 1978	50,544	23,972	74,516
% change	-1.6	1.4	-0.6

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ending March 14, 1979 —
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Loadings of revenue freight by railways in Canada totalled 4.4 million t (4.9 million short tons) in the above-noted period, an increase of 10.9% from the corresponding seven days in 1978. Tonnage in the East increased 22.6%, while in the West shipments were down 0.8%.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments (included above) fell 7.4% in the East and 0.8% in the West to register an over-all decrease of 5.7%.

In the period January 1 to March 14, 1979, freight loaded by rail in Canada aggregated 40.9 million t (45.0 million short tons), down 1.0% from the same period in 1978. Loadings in the East were down 3.0%

while Western loadings showed a gain of 1.3%. Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic was 1.3% below the 1978 level.

For further information, contact Mr. M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

January 1979 — Advance Information

	Domestic		Export		Total	
	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Ingot and semi-finished shapes	32,273	29 278	11,137	10 103	43,410	39 381
Rails	22,124	20 071	4,982	4 520	27,106	24 591
Wire rods	73,010	66 234	33,423	30 321	106,433	96 555
Structural shapes:						
Heavy	71,154	64 549	11,911	10 805	83,065	75 354
Bar-sized shapes	12,355	11 209	3,046	2 763	15,401	13 972
Concrete reinforcing bars	47,672	43 248	—	—	47,672	43 248
Other hot rolled bars	103,662	94 040	11,174	10 137	114,836	104 177
Tie plates and track material	7,680	6 967	3	3	7,683	6 970
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes)	124,402	112 857	23,258	21 099	147,660	133 956
Hot rolled sheets and strip	228,664	207 440	15,769	14 305	244,433	221 745
Cold finished bars	17,226	15 628	522	474	17,748	16 102
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled other, coated	188,918	171 382	13,895	12 605	202,813	183 987
Galvanized sheets	89,000	80 738	15,589	14 142	104,589	94 880
Total	1,018,140	923 641	144,709	131 277	1,162,849	1 054 918

*Producers' shipments excluding producers' interchange.

For further information, order the January issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. Brian Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.**Selected Principal Statistics for Heating Equipment Manufacturers**

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3070		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	88	87	-1
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	3,420	2,943	-14
Man-hours paid	000's	7,028	6,114	-13
Manufacturing wages	\$000	35,347	34,446	-3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,066	2,115	2
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	97,296	96,533	-1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	195,693	192,648	-2
Value added	\$000	99,511	97,967	-2
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	4,977	4,538	-9
Total salaries and wages	\$000	56,557	58,515	3
Total value added	\$000	113,553	109,315	-4

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Heating Equipment Manufacturers, 1977* (41-225, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Men's Clothing Factories

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2431		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	485	454	-6.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	33,481	30,638	-8.5
Man-hours paid	000's	68,003	62,143	-8.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	253,916	251,638	-0.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,664	4,029	9.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	539,271	541,635	0.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	1,051,620	1,041,104	-1.0
Value added	\$000	497,249	497,847	0.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	38,380	35,130	-8.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	327,379	324,309	-1.0
Total value added	\$000	512,499	509,595	-0.6

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Men's Clothing Industries, 1977* (34-216, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Fur Goods Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2460		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	296	269	-9.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,326	1,896	-18.5
Man-hours paid	000's	4,401	3,556	-19.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	22,641	20,661	-8.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	258	269	4.2
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	114,418	111,639	-2.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	164,366	162,431	-1.2
Value added	\$000	53,289	53,848	1.0
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,776	2,323	-16.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	28,993	26,654	-8.1
Total value added	\$000	53,906	54,250	0.6

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Fur Goods Industry, 1977* (34-213, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Women's Clothing Factories

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2441		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	566	529	-6.6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	26,756	25,946	-3.1
Man-hours paid	000's	51,326	50,005	-2.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	188,985	207,713	9.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,651	2,744	3.5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	512,557	517,240	0.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	913,509	958,398	4.9
Value added	\$000	407,593	441,999	8.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	30,292	29,544	-2.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	246,252	269,168	9.3
Total value added	\$000	427,235	461,081	7.9

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Women's and Children's Clothing Industries, 1977* (34-217, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Knitted Fabric Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2391		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	73	67	-8.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	3,803	3,307	-13.1
Man-hours paid	000's	7,899	6,959	-12.0
Manufacturing wages	\$000	30,119	29,360	-2.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,969	2,884	-2.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	138,018	139,786	1.2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	216,817	214,388	-1.2
Value added	\$000	74,226	72,188	-2.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	4,604	3,984	-13.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	42,802	40,828	-4.7
Total value added	\$000	73,729	71,650	-2.9

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Knitting Mills*, 1977 (34-215, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Ornamental and Architectural Metal Industry, N.E.S.

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3039		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	407	382	-6.5
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	5,765	5,448	-5.8
Man-hours paid	000's	11,981	11,342	-5.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	66,919	69,232	3.4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,084	3,545	14.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	196,680	176,199	-11.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	390,817	357,550	-9.3
Value added	\$000	195,725	177,886	-10.0
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	7,421	7,172	-3.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	93,794	98,870	5.4
Total value added	\$000	198,702	179,671	-10.5

For further information, contact Mr. Brian Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Ornamental and Architectural Metal Industry*, 1977 (41-221, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Throwsters, Spun Yarn and Cloth Mills

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1832		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	89	78	-12.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	9,841	8,813	-10.5
Man-hours paid	000's	20,747	18,359	-11.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	81,272	83,116	2.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	10,062	11,634	15.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	290,766	304,415	4.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	480,033	490,751	2.2
Value added	\$000	176,242	184,253	4.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	12,466	11,058	-11.3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	117,677	116,506	-1.0
Total value added	\$000	176,550	180,903	2.4

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Man-made Fibre Yarn and Cloth Mills*, 1977 (34-208, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Miscellaneous Textile Industries

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1899		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	244	233	-4.6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	8,254	7,864	-4.8
Man-hours paid	000's	16,749	16,043	-4.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	64,244	68,116	6.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,580	4,421	23.4
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	193,447	207,911	7.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	373,968	425,932	13.8
Value added	\$000	181,163	215,580	18.9
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	10,521	10,103	-4.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	97,393	104,100	6.8
Total value added	\$000	186,445	220,088	18.0

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Textile Industries*, 1977 (34-210, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Metal Door and Window Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3031		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	207	212	2.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	6,092	5,612	-8.5
Man-hours paid	000's	12,798	11,812	-8.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	63,313	62,579	-1.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,344	3,347	0.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	174,282	184,663	5.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	334,326	343,138	2.6
Value added	\$000	159,339	156,698	-1.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	8,120	7,603	-6.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	94,031	94,893	0.9
Total value added	\$000	168,527	171,401	1.7

For further information, contact Mr. Brian Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Ornamental and Architectural Metal Industry*, 1977 (41-221, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Men's Clothing Contractors

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2432		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	135	111	-17.8
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	7,363	6,888	-6.5
Man-hours paid	000's	14,710	13,535	-8.0
Manufacturing wages	\$000	50,810	52,556	3.4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	651	669	2.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	6,170	7,780	26.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	74,248	77,319	4.1
Value added	\$000	67,428	69,011	2.3
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	7,617	7,134	-6.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	54,574	56,497	3.5
Total value added	\$000	67,340	68,907	2.3

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Men's Clothing Industries*, 1977 (34-216, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Women's Clothing Contractors

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2442		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	277	233	-15.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.			
Man-hours paid	000's	9,426	8,174	-13.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	18,186	15,462	-15.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	60,300	57,565	-4.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	579	512	-11.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	11,241	10,079	-10.4
Value added	\$000	86,958	84,394	-3.0
Total Activity:		75,340	73,824	-2.1
Total employees	No.			
Total salaries and wages	\$000	9,711	8,444	-13.1
Total value added	\$000	63,730	61,054	-4.2
		75,561	73,649	-2.6

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Women's and Children's Clothing Industries*, 1977 (34-217, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Hosiery Mills

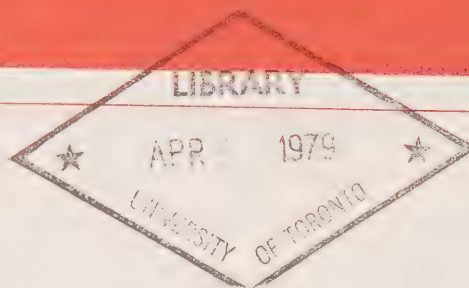
1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2310		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	65	61	-6.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.			
Man-hours paid	000's	3,323	4,016	20.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	8,661	8,361	-3.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	31,079	32,207	3.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	1,474	1,605	8.8
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	51,676	56,263	8.8
Value added	\$000	109,267	117,694	7.7
Total Activity:		57,965	60,384	4.1
Total employees	No.			
Total salaries and wages	\$000	3,882	4,600	18.4
Total value added	\$000	38,156	39,932	4.6
		59,589	62,359	4.6

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Knitting Mills*, 1977 (34-215, 70¢).

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Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)
(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971	1978			1979	%
	percentage weight	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	
Real Domestic Product	100.00	134.9	135.5	136.0	136.5	0.4
Agriculture	3.371	108.4	108.8	109.4	110.3	0.8
Forestry	.802	142.4	152.5	135.9	141.3	4.0
Fishing and Trapping	.178	106.0	100.9	102.9	99.5	-3.3
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	105.1	104.6	106.8	107.1	0.3
Manufacturing industries	22.753	137.9	138.9	141.2	142.2	0.7
Construction industry	6.990	110.4	108.8	107.3	105.5	-1.7
Transportation, storage and communication	9.050	143.0	144.0	145.7	145.7	—
Transportation	5.991	129.6	129.4	131.4	130.1	-1.0
Air transport and services incidental to air transport						
Railway transport	671	187.1	193.9	194.7	194.0	-0.4
Bus transport, interurban and rural	1.815	122.1	122.9	126.0	123.5	-2.0
Urban transit systems	089	128.0	127.4	127.4	115.5	-9.3
Pipeline transport	250	117.8	117.2	122.5	114.8	-6.3
Storage	486	124.2	121.4	127.0	129.1	1.7
Grain elevators	258	108.8	107.4	113.9	117.5	3.2
Communication	177	91.1	89.9	98.8	105.0	6.3
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.801	174.6	178.5	179.3	181.4	1.2
Trade	2.658	157.8	159.0	161.3	163.5	1.4
Wholesale trade	11.561	139.5	139.8	139.8	141.2	1.0
Wholesale merchants	4.756	131.8	131.8	130.3	133.2	2.2
Retail trade	3.498	133.2	133.5	131.9	134.4	1.9
Food stores	6.805	144.8	145.5	146.5	146.8	0.2
General merchandise stores	1.299	112.5	112.7	116.8	112.3	-3.9
Department stores	1.413	149.8	156.1	154.5	149.0	-3.6
Other general merchandise stores	889	174.7	183.8	182.3	172.8	-5.2
Motor vehicle dealers	524	107.7	109.0	107.4	108.5	1.0
Clothing stores	811	157.8	144.7	146.0	157.2	7.7
Hardware stores	434	132.7	134.6	137.0	144.6	5.5
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores	101	117.4	114.0	108.8	113.9	4.7
Drug stores	.216	151.5	141.7	149.9	155.3	3.6
Finance, insurance and real estate	.301	178.4	186.2	194.0	186.8	-3.7
Community, business and personal service industries	11.853	152.4	153.3	152.8	153.1	0.2
Education and related services	19.539	134.4	134.9	134.9	135.7	0.6
Health and welfare services	6.478	110.9	112.0	110.4	111.3	0.8
Amusement and recreation services	5.318	126.4	126.4	126.7	127.2	0.4
Services to business management	.536	170.3	169.7	170.4	172.0	0.9
Personal services	2.373	190.2	192.8	193.9	194.7	0.4
Accommodation and food services	1.021	118.0	118.7	119.6	119.6	—
Public administration and defence	2.588	155.3	154.2	156.0	157.4	0.9
Special groupings:	7.425	124.8	125.0	124.4	123.8	-0.5
Index of industrial production						
Real domestic product less agriculture	29.230	135.4	136.3	138.6	139.5	0.6
Goods-producing industries	96.629	135.9	136.5	137.0	137.5	0.4
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	40.572	128.9	129.4	130.5	131.1	0.5
Service-producing industries	37.201	130.7	131.3	132.5	133.0	0.4
Commercial industries	59.428	139.1	139.7	139.8	140.3	0.4
Commercial industries less agriculture	81.308	138.8	139.4	140.2	140.8	0.4
Non-commercial industries	77.937	140.1	140.7	141.5	142.1	0.4
Non-durable manufacturing industries	18.692	118.3	118.7	117.9	118.0	0.1
Durable manufacturing industries	11.324	137.1	137.6	138.6	140.1	1.1
	11.429	138.7	140.2	143.8	144.2	0.3

Real Domestic Product, January 1979 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted Index of Real Domestic Product (1971=100) increased 0.4% to 136.5 in January from 136.0 in December. The index of industrial production advanced 0.6% to a level of 139.5 in January. Output of goods-producing industries rose 0.5%, while service-producing industries increased 0.4%.

Among goods-producing industries, increases were recorded in manufacturing, utilities, forestry, agriculture and mining. Most of the gain in manufacturing took place in the non-durable goods sector, with major increases in production of food and beverages, paper (continued)

and allied products and chemicals and chemical products. Durable manufacturing industries' output advanced only marginally, with increases in transportation equipment, machinery and non-metallic mineral products, while wood products, primary metals and metal fabricating declined. An increase in logging and pulpwood activity accounted for the gain in forestry. Increased electric power generation and gas distribution both contributed to the rise in output of utilities. Mining was up only slightly from production of miscellaneous metal mines. Construction continued to decline in January with decreases in both residential and non-residential building activity.

In service-producing industries, trade, finance, insurance and real estate services, and community, business and personal services recorded increases. Transportation, storage and communication services were unchanged from the December level, and public administration and defence services declined. The most significant increase occurred in trade, where wholesale trade advanced 2% with most of the growth coming from wholesale merchants and wholesalers of petroleum products. Retail trade was up marginally, with motor vehicle dealers, clothing stores, hardware stores, and furniture, television, radio and appliance stores showing gains. Food stores and department stores were down substantially. In community, business and personal services, increases were widespread with most of the strength occurring in education and related services, health and welfare services and accommodation and food services. The slight increase in finance, insurance and real estate services originated mostly with insurance and real estate services. Transportation, storage and communication services were unchanged from the December level: increases were recorded in storage and communications systems but these were offset by declines in air, railway and bus transport. A decline in public administration and defence services was due to decreases in both federal and local administration services.

For further information, order the January issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)*, (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Employment, Earnings and Hours (Seasonally Adjusted), January 1979 — Advance Information

The first estimates of the Canada industrial composite* index of employment (1961=100) for January 1979 show a 0.7% increase over December 1978. All industry divisions, with the exception of construction which decreased, and all regions contributed to this over-all increase.

Average weekly earnings rose by 0.6% at the national industrial composite level. The only industry divisions not contributing to this increase were construction, transportation, communication and other utilities and service, all of which showed decreases. Gains were recorded in all regions except the Atlantic region, which declined.

Average hourly earnings rose in mining (including milling) and in manufacturing but declined in

construction. Average weekly hours increased in mining (including milling) but declined in both manufacturing and construction.

* *Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious organizations, private households and public administration and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year. Notes on concepts and methods can be found in any issue of Employment, Earnings and Hours.*

Detailed information for November and December will be published in the January issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7), and is also available from Mr. R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile, February 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 3,449 short tons (3 129 t) or 7,250,859 square feet (673 627 m²) of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in February compared to 3,352 short tons (3 041 t) or 6,780,906 square feet (629 967 m²) in February 1978.

For further information, order the February issue of *Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles* (47-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

The Dairy Review, January 1979 — Advance Information

An estimated 489 099 kilolitres of milk were sold off farms for all purposes in January 1979, 4.4% more than in January 1978.

For further information, order the February issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-995-4858), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Penitentiary Statistics, 1977 (preliminary) — Advance Information

Canadian penitentiaries reported 4,629 admissions in 1977, an increase of 2.0% over 1976. Persons 18 to 29 years of age accounted for over two-thirds of all admissions during the year.

There were 4,631 releases from penitentiaries and the majority of them were released on mandatory supervision (61.6%).

The number of persons "on register" on December 31, 1977, was 9,335, an increase of less than 1% from the year-earlier total of 9,285.

For further information, contact the Project Manager, Corrections Units (613-995-0855), Justice Statistics Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Employment, Earnings and Hours, Advance Data

January 1979

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Employment Index Number									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations				Seasonally adjusted					
	Jan. 1979f	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978r	Jan. 1978 1961=100	Dec. 1977	Jan. 1979f	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978r
Industry Division:										
Forestry	70.2	74.0	83.7	90.5	67.7	77.1	82.1	80.1	81.6	81.5
Mining, including milling	115.9	115.3	117.0	117.5	120.8	119.7	116.7	116.1	116.9	118.2
Manufacturing	127.2	127.3	129.3	130.0	122.9	123.1	130.4	129.9	129.2	128.7
Durable Goods	141.8	141.8	143.6	143.0	135.1	135.5	144.0	143.1	142.1	141.4
Non-durable Goods	115.5	115.6	117.7	119.5	113.0	113.0	119.4	119.5	118.6	118.5
Construction	80.5	88.8	100.2	108.0	89.3	98.9	93.3	97.9	96.3	97.8
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	131.4	131.6	133.7	134.9	125.9	127.2	135.3	134.6	135.1	134.3
Trade	175.5	181.7	180.8	177.5	171.3	174.8	176.4	175.0	174.3	174.1
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	202.6	201.6	201.1	200.1	195.7	196.4	204.0	202.7	201.2	200.0
Service	255.0	256.5	260.6	264.9	247.0	245.9	265.8	265.5	262.8	263.1
Industrial Composite	144.7	146.3	148.7	149.6	140.9	142.2	149.1	148.1	147.5	147.4
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	127.8	131.3	135.6	138.7	123.2	127.2	136.9	135.4	134.0	134.7
Newfoundland	119.6	123.6	127.6	132.6	119.1	125.1	132.9	127.7	125.4	127.0
Prince Edward Island	146.1	151.5	150.5	158.7	132.4	143.7	167.4	161.7	151.7	152.3
Nova Scotia	131.4	134.3	137.6	138.2	125.1	127.3	136.9	136.7	136.0	135.5
New Brunswick	127.3	130.9	137.3	141.4	122.6	126.9	136.8	136.2	136.5	138.1
Quebec	124.8	126.0	128.3	129.4	122.9	124.6	128.5	127.5	127.3	127.6
Ontario	150.2	151.6	153.6	153.8	146.7	147.2	153.7	153.1	152.2	151.9
Prairie Region	162.4	164.5	167.6	168.5	156.2	157.0	167.6	166.8	166.6	165.8
Manitoba	122.9	124.3	126.8	128.3	121.1	122.3	126.6	126.2	125.9	126.3
Saskatchewan	140.5	143.1	147.3	147.7	136.2	140.3	145.9	145.3	146.1	145.2
Alberta	204.0	206.5	209.6	210.1	193.0	192.9	210.9	209.3	208.8	207.3
British Columbia	170.6	172.6	174.4	176.1	163.9	165.8	175.4	174.2	174.1	174.1
Yukon	173.6	174.2	179.6	183.3	172.4	189.6	185.8	183.4	186.2	186.6
Northwest Territories	143.9	149.2	150.2	154.3	142.1	139.6	157.2	164.0	159.1	158.3
Canada	144.7	146.3	148.7	149.6	140.9	142.2	149.1	148.1	147.5	147.4

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Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products

(1971=100)

	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Oct. 1978	Jan. 1978
Canada	222.7	220.2	218.6	216.2	189.7
Prince Edward Island	240.5	249.8	254.1	226.8	183.8
Nova Scotia	224.7	221.3	223.6	221.5	195.8
New Brunswick	266.6	251.3	282.8	246.6	198.5
Quebec	227.8	225.4	221.5	217.9	197.2
Ontario	218.4	215.9	214.0	209.3	184.1
Manitoba	229.9	230.3	230.1	232.5	197.3
Saskatchewan	217.5	215.5	212.8	212.3	192.3
Alberta	229.9	226.2	225.1	226.7	187.6
British Columbia	205.2	200.7	199.2	197.0	179.9

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1971=100), January 1979 — Advance Information

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for the month of January stood at 222.7, an increase of 1.1% from the revised December level of 220.2.

Data users should note that the index of farm prices of agricultural products has been rebased to a new

time and weight base with 1971 as the new reference period. For further information concerning the rebased index, contact Peter Lys or George Beelen (613-995-4895), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations						Seasonally adjusted			
	Jan. 1979f	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978r	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Jan. 1979f	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978r
	dollars									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	382.03	268.46	355.75	340.38	328.73	249.22	371.77	320.13	346.60	333.18
Mining, including milling	406.54	391.89	397.15	391.72	367.90	362.65	402.00	390.72	392.44	389.15
Manufacturing	301.06	292.36	296.84	294.44	273.32	271.89	300.04	297.23	295.80	292.28
Durable Goods	321.33	313.08	319.11	316.91	288.88	290.30	320.34	320.75	316.73	312.69
Non-durable Goods	280.98	271.86	274.93	272.74	258.28	254.12	279.92	275.19	275.67	273.40
Construction	390.55	373.89	401.26	409.03	361.29	346.75	394.06	414.24	398.23	392.69
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	327.53	323.87	323.33	315.66	306.64	299.76	325.25	326.42	323.82	315.19
Trade	208.04	205.46	203.35	203.99	193.96	195.54	211.02	206.51	206.87	205.14
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	260.87	256.74	253.98	251.60	239.62	236.35	261.55	258.84	257.64	254.45
Service	186.74	185.08	184.24	182.81	174.85	175.22	185.52	185.95	185.73	183.25
Industrial Composite	276.25	269.32	273.30	271.78	255.26	252.81	276.78	275.07	273.41	269.97
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	244.82	237.09	239.53	235.66	228.69	222.91	242.18	242.42	240.93	235.75
Newfoundland	263.89	255.11	260.17	253.14	248.21	238.36	261.07	265.02	261.74	251.93
Prince Edward Island	201.94	198.45	202.10	201.18	195.28	192.08	201.94	201.94	201.94	201.94
Nova Scotia	234.03	226.73	229.94	227.65	219.88	214.72	232.68	231.55	231.96	229.07
New Brunswick	250.90	242.73	242.17	237.80	230.29	225.29	244.61	246.60	243.22	238.25
Quebec	271.31	266.81	270.41	269.34	253.49	248.91	272.87	271.92	269.76	267.36
Ontario	274.84	267.91	271.88	269.77	251.76	252.83	275.03	273.96	272.18	267.89
Prairie Region	275.46	268.28	270.73	270.60	252.48	250.15	275.85	274.03	271.41	269.23
Manitoba	251.52	246.52	246.17	245.78	229.95	229.94	253.01	250.22	248.46	244.89
Saskatchewan	265.70	259.31	257.84	257.42	239.52	239.30	267.76	261.35	258.59	255.00
Alberta	290.12	281.63	286.69	286.88	268.03	264.11	289.31	289.89	287.06	286.02
British Columbia	311.36	300.91	309.74	309.07	289.50	283.08	312.20	310.54	309.03	306.56
Yukon	386.52	380.63	367.55	367.98	361.96	347.80
Northwest Territories	326.56	309.64	327.14	318.01	298.72	296.47
Canada	276.25	269.32	273.30	271.78	255.26	252.81	276.78	275.07	273.41	269.97

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Selected Principal Statistics for Wire and Wire Products Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 305		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	279	277	-0.7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	13,557	13,793	1.7
Man-hours paid	000's	28,429	28,730	1.1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	152,642	170,585	11.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	13,568	17,266	27.3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	508,563	561,127	10.3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	910,615	1,006,637	10.5
Value added	\$000	394,410	428,585	8.7
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	17,573	17,886	1.8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	214,501	239,175	11.5
Total value added	\$000	411,044	442,774	7.7

For further information, contact Brian Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Wire and Wire Products Manufacturers, 1977* (41-216, 70¢)

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Hours and Average Hourly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Jan. 1979f	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978r	Jan. 1978 number	Dec. 1977	Jan. 1979f	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978p	Oct. 1978r
Average Weekly Hours:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	41.5	40.0	41.5	40.9	40.6	40.4	41.0	40.1	40.9	40.6
Manufacturing	39.0	38.4	39.4	39.2	37.8	37.9	39.1	39.4	39.0	38.8
Durable Goods	39.8	39.3	40.3	40.1	38.2	38.8	39.8	40.5	39.8	39.6
Non-durable Goods	38.2	37.4	38.4	38.3	37.5	37.0	38.2	38.3	38.2	38.0
Construction	37.1	36.0	38.9	40.2	36.3	34.9	38.0	40.5	38.8	38.7
Building	36.2	35.7	37.5	37.8	35.4	34.6	36.6	38.9	37.1	36.7
Engineering	39.9	36.6	41.9	44.6	38.3	35.5	41.2	43.5	41.8	42.6
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	37.9	37.1	38.2	38.2	38.4	36.3	37.5	38.5	38.5	38.7
Quebec	39.3	38.6	39.6	39.6	38.9	38.1	39.2	39.7	39.1	39.0
Ontario	39.7	38.9	40.1	39.8	37.5	38.6	39.7	39.9	39.8	39.4
Prairie Region	37.5	37.1	37.8	37.9	37.1	36.7	37.4	37.6	37.6	37.5
British Columbia	36.7	36.3	37.0	36.5	36.4	35.5	36.2	36.9	36.5	36.4
dollars										
Average Hourly Earnings:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	9.30	9.26	9.14	9.10	8.50	8.47	9.30	9.18	9.10	9.07
Manufacturing	7.15	7.05	7.04	7.01	6.62	6.60	7.16	7.09	7.06	7.00
Durable Goods	7.60	7.49	7.52	7.51	7.03	7.01	7.60	7.56	7.53	7.48
Non-durable Goods	6.64	6.55	6.51	6.50	6.18	6.15	6.64	6.57	6.56	6.55
Construction	10.76	10.52	10.65	10.54	10.12	9.92	10.59	10.71	10.50	10.48
Building	10.89	10.76	10.85	10.72	9.99	9.95	10.84	10.94	10.69	10.58
Engineering	10.43	9.93	10.25	10.25	10.40	9.87	10.26	10.23	10.11	10.26
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	6.68	6.44	6.40	6.22	6.08	6.03	6.55	6.38	6.44	6.21
Quebec	6.53	6.43	6.40	6.38	6.03	5.99	6.54	6.47	6.42	6.41
Ontario	7.19	7.10	7.11	7.09	6.66	6.67	7.20	7.16	7.14	7.09
Prairie Region	7.15	7.10	7.08	7.09	6.61	6.63	7.21	7.13	7.07	7.02
British Columbia	9.28	9.23	9.24	9.22	8.71	8.63	9.23	9.19	9.22	9.19

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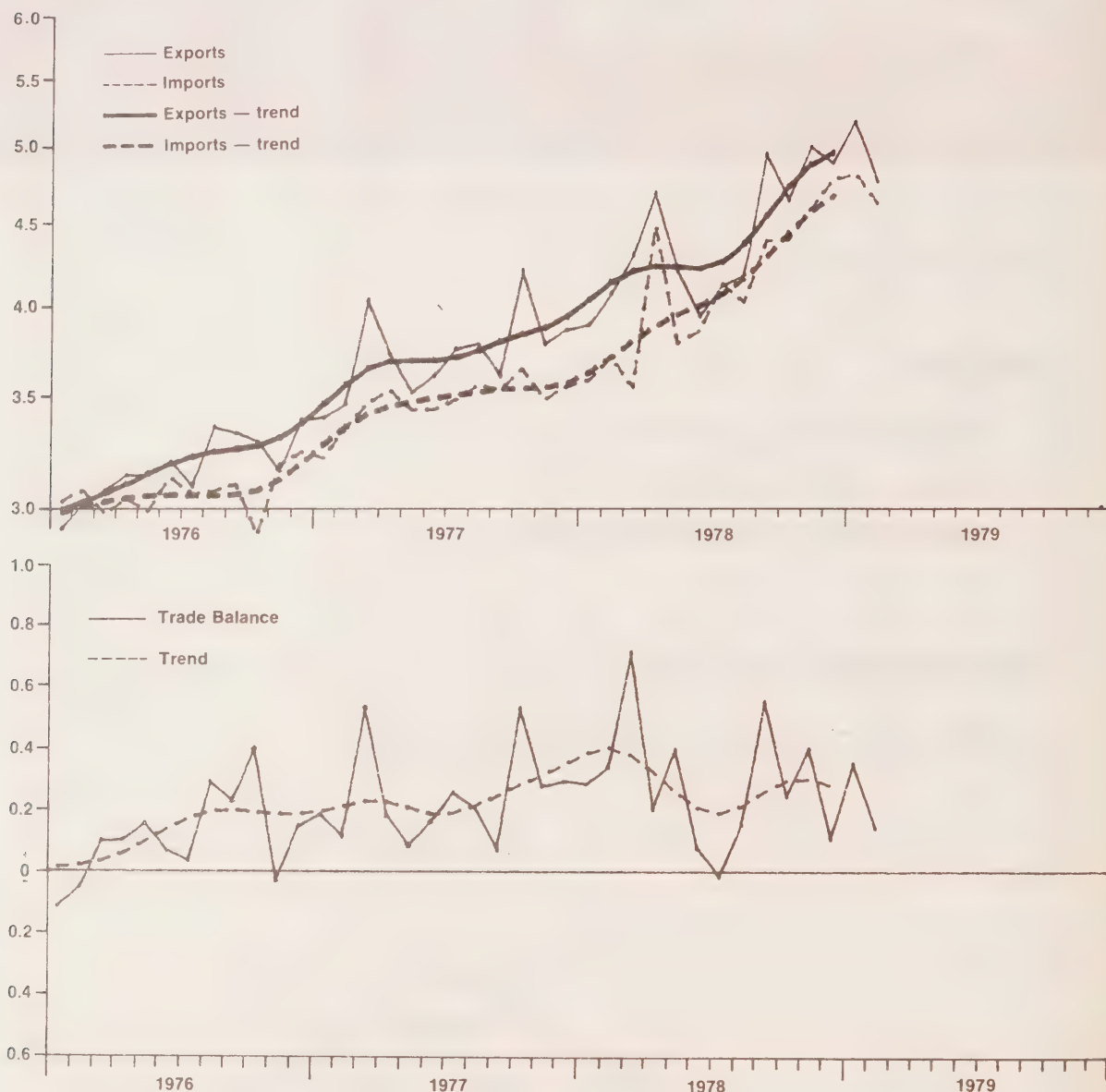


EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE: ALL COUNTRIES

Seasonally Adjusted

Balance of Payments Basis

Billions of Dollars



Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, February 1979

Seasonally-adjusted exports on a balance-of-payments basis declined 8.1% in February to \$4.72 billion following a 5.6% increase in January. Imports were down 4.1% to \$4.58 billion after a marginal increase of 0.8% in January. This resulted in a surplus for Canada of \$146 million in February, down from the \$352 million surplus recorded in January. The pattern of a large surplus alternating with a smaller one has been repeated over the six months since September 1978.

Data Analysis

Monthly trade figures, particularly exports and the trade balance, often fluctuate widely about the trend. Changes in the trend thus provide a more reliable guide to the direction and rate of change of trade data. Estimates of the trend for the two most recent periods often change considerably with the addition of further months of data. Comments on changes in the trend (continued)

Merchandise Trade of Canada

	Customs Basis*		Balance of Payments Basis*				
	Unadjusted		Unadjusted		Seasonally Adjusted		Trade Balance
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports (\$ millions)	Exports	Imports	
1977							
Third Quarter	10,608	9,910	10,627	9,869	11,116	10,579	537
Fourth Quarter	11,805	10,819	12,071	10,791	11,783	10,674	1,109
1978							
First Quarter	11,672	10,629	11,819	10,727	12,157	10,821	1,336
Second Quarter	13,876	13,484	13,569	13,031	12,727	12,044	683
Third Quarter	12,478	11,622	12,388	11,502	13,122	12,431	691
Fourth Quarter	14,615	13,949	14,614	13,662	14,384	13,626	758
1978							
September	4,639	4,002	4,652	3,978	4,897	4,344	553
October	4,801	4,791	4,867	4,658	4,601	4,352	249
November	5,261	4,893	5,212	4,807	4,943	4,544	399
December	4,553	4,265	4,535	4,197	4,840	4,730	110
1979							
January	4,967	4,780	4,923	4,691	5,121	4,769	352
February	4,471	4,441	4,462	4,344	4,723	4,577	146

*In the above table, export and import totals are shown on both a "customs" and a "balance-of-payments" basis. The figures on a customs basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts explained in Summary of External Trade. The figures on a balance-of-payments basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices. For more information about these adjustments, please refer to Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20).

and the accompanying charts therefore exclude the trend for the two most recent periods.

Both import and export trends continued to increase in December but at a slower pace. The rate of increase in trend for exports declined from a peak increase of 4% in October 1978 to 2.9% in November and 1.6% in December; and slightly less quickly for imports from a peak increase of 3.3% in October 1978 to 2.9% in November and 2.1% in December. The slightly more rapid falloff in the export trend than the import trend was reflected in the balance. The trend for the balance peaked in November 1978 at \$303 million and declined slightly by \$17 million in December. The rate of increase in the balance peaked in September 1978.

Exports (Seasonally Adjusted), Commodity Analysis

The main contributors to the February decline in domestic exports were end products, which were down 12.3% or \$235 million to \$1.68 billion following a 10.4% increase in January, and fabricated materials which were down 7.8% or \$145 million to \$1.69 billion following a 2.3% increase in January. There were widespread and substantial declines in exports of end product commodities, apart from cars and trucks which increased 6% and 4.4%, respectively, following declines of 18% and 16% in January. Amongst fabricated material commodities, lumber was down 31% or \$108 million to \$238 million following a 13.4% increase in January, and woodpulp was down 27% or \$72 million to \$196 million following an 18% increase in January. Iron and steel exports were down 8% to \$123 million whereas non-ferrous metal exports were up 16% to \$285 million. Food, feed, beverages and tobacco exports were down 17.5% or \$80 million to \$371 million following an 11% increase in January.

Wheat exports, which have fluctuated substantially during the last few months, were down 41% or \$67 million to \$96 million following a 57% increase in January. Crude materials declined only 2.6% or \$22 million following a 4% increase in January. Increases of 25% in crude petroleum exports to \$180 million and of 7% in natural gas exports to \$218 million were counterbalanced by a decline of 19.4% in metallic ore exports to \$220 million.

The pattern of the trend in end product and fabricated material exports was similar to that for total exports. End products had peak increases of 3% in September and October, dropping to a 1.9% advance in December to \$1.77 billion or 36.5% of total exports. Fabricated materials had a peak increase of 4% in October 1978, also dropping to a 1.9% increase in December to \$1.77 billion. The behaviour of the trend for most end product commodities was similar to that for the end product section, with two notable exceptions: the trend for passenger car exports peaked in September with a 0.6% increase and has since declined 1.5% in October, 2.6% in November, and 2.9% in December to \$426 million or 8.8% of domestic exports; the rate of increase in the trend for aircraft and other transportation equipment exports continued to climb, showing a 7% increase in December 1978 to \$140 million following a 4.6% increase in October and 6.1% increase in November. Fabricated material commodity trends also showed a similar pattern to that (continued)

Table 1
Imports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1977							
Third Quarter	10,619.9	7,850.8	7,451.3	331.7	2,836.8	614.5	457.3
Fourth Quarter	10,702.3	7,792.4	7,456.3	321.3	2,924.7	578.9	481.2
1978							
First Quarter	10,993.4	8,085.6	7,693.5	344.4	2,955.5	690.4	502.6
Second Quarter	12,228.7	8,952.8	8,645.4	391.5	3,191.8	751.7	568.1
Third Quarter	12,547.6	9,187.1	8,949.1	401.5	3,197.0	706.2	621.2
Fourth Quarter	13,910.1	10,412.6	9,723.6	460.2	3,726.3	883.3	572.9
1978							
September	4,368.0	3,211.5	3,107.5	145.7	1,114.9	234.2	235.3
October	4,483.5	3,346.5	3,091.5	137.1	1,254.9	296.4	209.7
November	4,628.8	3,479.1	3,201.3	157.2	1,270.3	282.1	170.2
December	4,797.8	3,587.0	3,430.8	165.9	1,201.1	304.8	193.0
1979							
January	4,858.7	3,462.9	3,707.1	138.7	1,013.0	317.1	189.3
February	4,673.7	3,356.8	3,499.4	84.1	1,090.2	281.8	149.6
Percent changes							
February/January	-3.8	-3.0	-5.6	-39.3	7.6	-11.1	-21.0
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	6.3	3.6	13.1	-11.6	-9.2	11.1	-13.5
Feb. 79/Feb. 78	24.4	23.9	34.5	-29.6	5.1	27.1	-17.2

Table 2
Imports by Principal Trading Areas, Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	3,320.3	3,415.0	3,072.9	2,664.3	2,101.2	2,367.0	24.6	62.5	29.8
United Kingdom	79.6	137.8	135.7	127.3	97.2	99.0	-37.4	41.7	36.9
Other E.E.C.	249.3	317.4	262.7	220.7	191.8	195.6	12.9	65.4	34.3
Japan	149.8	213.4	171.7	194.6	162.1	163.1	-23.0	31.6	5.2
Other O.E.C.D.	116.5	162.7	115.2	112.0	106.0	139.4	3.9	53.5	-17.3
Other America	252.3	220.1	208.1	187.5	270.8	174.8	34.5	-18.7	19.0
Other Countries	272.7	313.7	298.9	394.5	260.6	351.3	-30.8	20.3	-14.9
All Countries	4,440.5	4,780.0	4,265.2	3,901.0	3,189.7	3,490.2	13.8	49.8	22.2
	Year-to-Date						Feb.-Feb. Percent Changes		
	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	79/78	78/77	
United States	6,735.2	3,415.0	4,765.5	2,101.2	4,328.4	2,042.0	41.3	10.0	
United Kingdom	217.4	137.8	224.5	97.2	181.4	89.0	-3.1	23.7	
Other E.E.C.	566.7	317.4	412.5	191.8	330.7	162.8	37.3	24.7	
Japan	363.2	213.4	356.7	162.1	266.3	132.5	1.8	33.9	
Other O.E.C.D.	279.2	162.7	218.0	106.0	188.7	103.6	28.0	15.5	
Other America	472.4	220.1	458.3	270.8	384.4	206.2	3.0	19.2	
Other Countries	586.4	313.7	655.1	260.6	536.8	283.1	-10.4	22.0	
All Countries	9,220.5	4,780.0	7,090.6	3,189.7	6,216.6	3,019.2	30.0	14.0	

Table 3

**Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings,
Not Seasonally Adjusted**

	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Monthly		Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
			Dec. 1978	Feb. 1978			Feb.	Jan.	Dec.
			(\$ millions)						
Live Animals	6.2	4.9	7.0	2.8	2.3	3.3	124.6	112.9	112.4
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	261.4	316.6	295.7	283.8	240.6	288.7	-7.8	31.5	2.4
Meat and fish	41.5	55.6	45.2	50.3	39.4	46.1	-17.5	41.1	-1.8
Fruits and vegetables	96.1	110.1	107.3	88.6	70.3	92.1	8.3	56.6	16.4
Raw sugar	21.6	12.9	13.2	20.2	20.0	31.9	6.8	-35.4	-58.4
Crude Materials, Inedible	449.3	563.7	496.3	507.5	450.4	461.7	-11.4	25.1	7.5
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	35.3	93.5	50.2	42.0	34.9	47.3	-15.9	168.1	6.1
Coal	0.9	47.0	74.3	0.6	14.7	38.9	42.9	219.0	90.8
Crude petroleum	302.9	267.6	272.8	362.4	320.9	305.4	-16.3	-16.5	-10.6
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	716.4	880.5	754.3	653.7	530.1	588.7	9.5	66.0	28.1
Wood and paper	64.3	74.9	62.1	60.9	46.4	52.1	5.5	61.5	19.1
Textiles	97.1	119.9	96.6	86.2	76.2	72.5	12.6	57.2	33.0
Chemicals	227.0	240.6	214.7	202.5	154.6	155.9	12.0	55.6	37.7
Iron and steel	82.9	102.7	96.4	74.6	61.9	83.9	11.2	66.0	14.8
<i>Bars and rods, steel</i>	9.6	9.4	11.4	7.3	7.6	10.9	31.5	24.5	4.7
<i>Plate, sheet and strip, steel</i>	28.5	37.4	32.1	29.1	21.7	27.9	-1.8	72.2	15.0
Non-ferrous metals	65.1	123.9	92.1	57.6	38.0	58.1	12.9	225.9	58.4
End Products, Inedible	2,874.5	2,978.7	2,683.2	2,423.3	1,939.8	2,109.1	18.6	53.5	27.2
General purpose machinery	154.2	166.0	152.6	133.2	111.1	124.7	15.7	49.3	22.3
Special industry machinery	220.8	268.5	209.4	204.7	154.0	156.9	7.8	74.3	33.4
<i>Machine tools, metalworking</i>	18.2	27.4	22.4	18.7	16.3	12.5	-2.7	68.3	79.3
Agricultural machinery and tractors	128.1	139.2	112.6	114.2	83.0	96.0	12.1	67.6	17.2
Transportation equipment	1,512.5	1,358.3	1,294.5	1,172.9	920.7	1,000.0	28.9	47.5	29.4
<i>Passenger automobiles and chassis</i>	320.2	270.3	336.6	294.0	230.4	275.6	8.8	17.2	22.1
<i>Trucks, truck tractors and chassis</i>	147.7	121.1	118.7	93.3	57.3	73.6	58.2	111.2	61.2
<i>Other motor vehicles</i>	34.9	34.4	26.8	30.2	24.9	30.5	15.6	38.1	-11.9
<i>Motor vehicle engines</i>	107.6	95.7	75.8	62.7	44.9	45.4	71.6	113.0	66.8
<i>Motor vehicle engine parts</i>	46.4	48.1	41.7	61.3	56.5	59.3	-24.3	-14.7	-29.7
<i>Motor vehicle parts, except engines</i>	670.9	638.4	530.3	516.0	425.5	427.3	30.0	50.0	24.0
<i>Aircraft, complete with engines</i>	69.0	11.1	59.1	11.6	2.4	10.4	497.1	371.1	468.9
Other equipment and tools	481.0	588.3	492.4	432.2	364.6	394.8	11.2	61.3	24.7
<i>Electronic computers</i>	80.9	91.6	80.4	60.1	52.9	54.4	34.6	73.2	47.7
Special Transactions, Trade	132.7	35.6	28.8	29.9	26.4	38.8	343.2	34.9	-25.7
Total	4,440.5	4,780.0	4,265.2	3,901.0	3,189.7	3,490.2	13.8	49.8	22.2

of the total section. A notable example is the lumber export trend for which increases peaked in September at 5.6%, dropping off to a 0.2% increase in December to \$314 million.

Monthly increases in the crude material export trend peaked in September, gradually dropping off to an increase of 2.2% in December to \$830 million or 17.1% of domestic exports. The metallic ore export trend peaked in September with an increase of 14.2%, dropping to a 3.3% increase in December to \$249 million. This was to some extent counterbalanced by continuing larger increases in the trends for crude petroleum and natural gas exports. Increases in the crude petroleum exports trend started in September 1978 with an increase of 1.6%, gradually mounting through October and November to a 6.5% increase in December to \$142 million. The natural gas export trend started to increase in October by 0.7%, then 2.1% in November and 3.0% in December to \$192 million.

The food, feed, beverages and tobacco export trend peaked in October and declined 1.2% in November and 3.3% in December to \$450 million or 9.2% of domestic

exports. The wheat export trend peaked in September 1978 and declined 0.2% in October, 5.5% in November and 9.5% in December to \$161 million.

Imports (Seasonally Adjusted), Commodity Analysis

The main contributors to the decline in seasonally-adjusted February imports (on a Customs basis) were end products — down 7.8% or \$250 million to \$2.9 billion following a 5.7% increase in January, and fabricated materials — down 10% or \$90 million to \$800 million following a 2% rise in January. Most commodities in the fabricated material and end product sections of trade declined in February. Industrial machinery declined 16% or \$70 million to \$370 million following a 2% increase in January. Other equipment and tools declined 17% or \$55 million to \$270 million following a 9% increase in January and communication equipment declined 24% or \$40 million to \$130 million following a 17% increase in January. Two exceptions to the declines were an increase of 19% for aircraft and

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Table 3 (Continued)

**Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings,
Not Seasonally Adjusted**

	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Year-to-Date Feb. 1978 Jan. 1978 (\$ millions)		Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Feb.-Feb. Percent Changes 79/78 78/77	
Live Animals	11.2	4.9	5.1	2.3	6.4	3.5	119.3	-20.3
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	578.0	316.6	524.4	240.6	451.8	224.0	10.2	16.0
Meat and fish	97.2	55.6	89.8	39.4	78.7	37.7	8.2	13.9
Fruits and vegetables	206.1	110.1	158.9	70.3	136.6	62.7	29.7	16.3
Raw sugar	34.6	12.9	40.3	20.0	35.4	22.6	-14.1	13.8
Crude Materials, Inedible	1,012.9	563.7	957.9	450.4	777.6	436.9	5.7	23.1
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	128.8	93.5	76.9	34.9	56.6	35.0	67.6	35.6
Coal	47.9	47.0	15.4	14.7	30.5	25.2	211.8	-49.6
Crude petroleum	570.6	267.6	683.3	320.9	515.7	288.2	-16.4	32.4
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,596.9	880.5	1,183.8	530.1	973.4	474.6	34.8	21.6
Wood and paper	139.3	74.9	107.3	46.4	103.2	50.0	29.7	3.9
Textiles	217.0	119.9	162.4	76.2	135.7	67.2	33.6	19.6
Chemicals	467.6	240.6	357.2	154.6	281.9	133.0	30.9	26.7
Iron and steel	185.6	102.7	136.4	61.9	112.3	55.7	36.0	21.4
Bars and rods, steel	19.0	9.4	14.9	7.6	15.1	8.8	27.9	-1.6
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	65.9	37.4	50.8	21.7	39.0	17.5	29.8	30.1
Non-ferrous metals	189.0	123.9	95.6	38.0	64.8	33.4	97.6	47.6
End Products, Inedible	5,853.2	2,978.7	4,363.1	1,939.8	3,939.9	1,847.0	34.1	10.7
General purpose machinery	320.2	166.0	244.3	111.1	210.4	97.6	31.0	16.1
Special industry machinery	489.3	268.5	358.7	154.0	336.7	157.7	36.3	6.5
Machine tools, metalworking	45.6	27.4	35.0	16.3	22.5	11.5	30.3	55.4
Agricultural machinery and tractors	267.3	139.2	197.2	83.0	230.7	111.7	35.5	-14.4
Transportation equipment	2,870.8	1,358.3	2,093.7	920.7	1,856.0	840.2	37.1	12.8
Passenger automobiles and chassis	590.5	270.3	524.4	230.4	446.3	188.7	12.5	17.5
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	268.8	121.1	150.6	57.3	157.2	63.9	78.4	-4.1
Other motor vehicles	69.3	34.4	55.1	24.9	48.9	22.2	25.8	12.6
Motor vehicle engines	203.3	95.7	107.6	44.9	78.3	36.5	88.9	37.4
Motor vehicle engines parts	94.6	48.1	117.8	56.5	105.2	49.7	-19.7	11.9
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	1,309.3	638.4	941.6	425.5	838.8	394.4	39.0	12.2
Aircraft, complete with engines	80.1	11.1	13.9	2.4	13.5	7.1	475.7	2.7
Other equipment and tools	1,069.3	588.3	796.8	364.6	692.7	343.6	34.1	15.0
Electronic computers	172.6	91.6	113.0	52.9	88.5	44.2	52.6	27.7
Special Transactions, Trade	168.3	35.6	56.3	26.4	67.6	33.2	198.7	-16.7
Total	9,220.5	4,780.0	7,090.6	3,189.7	6,216.6	3,019.2	30.0	14.0

other transportation equipment to \$170 million following a 5.5% decline in January, and a 3.1% increase in automotive parts to \$830 million following a 16% increase in January. Crude material imports were up 16.4% to \$540 million following a 20% decline in January, mostly as a result of a 60% increase in crude petroleum imports in February to a more normal level of \$320 million. Food, feed, beverages and tobacco imports fell 8% to \$310 million after a 10% increase in January.

As with total imports, the trend continued to increase for most major sections and commodities but at a pace which in general slowed in both November and December from peak increases in October 1978. End products increased 3.4% in October and November, falling off to a 2.8% increase in December to \$2.95 billion or 62.5% of total imports. Fabricated materials peaked in October with an increase of 4.6%, falling off to an increase of 2.3% in December to \$840 million or 18% of total imports. Food, feed, beverages and tobacco increases in trend peaked in October with a 1.3% increase, falling off to 0.6% in December to \$320

million or 6.8% of total imports. Increases in the crude material import trend peaked in August with an increase of 7.6% and declined to a 1.6% increase in November and a 0.3% decrease in December to \$570 million or 12% of total imports.

Major exceptions to the pattern of a peak in October 1978 were automotive parts, for which the trend increased 2.9% in October, 4.2% in November, and 4.5% in December to \$740 million; cars which declined slightly over the four periods up to November 1978 and increased slightly in December to \$327 million; and crude petroleum imports, for which increases peaked in August 1978 with a 9.5% increase, falling off to a 3% decline in the December trend to \$325 million.

Trading Partner Analysis
Exports (Seasonally Adjusted), Customs Basis

The decline in February exports was evident in all major country groupings. Exports to the United States (continued)

Table 4
Total Exports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs Basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	Total excluding cars and wheat	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1977								
Third Quarter	11,097.7	8,775.0	8,232.3	7,831.3	498.3	2,768.0	694.6	629.1
Fourth Quarter	11,516.7	8,690.4	8,219.9	8,173.5	476.2	2,867.0	673.4	615.0
1978								
First Quarter	12,338.5	9,562.0	9,160.4	8,666.6	512.1	3,159.8	711.1	683.3
Second Quarter	12,728.4	9,793.1	9,329.8	9,001.8	530.9	3,195.7	697.2	743.2
Third Quarter	13,200.2	10,134.0	9,615.7	9,311.8	478.7	3,409.7	674.1	806.5
Fourth Quarter	14,374.2	10,871.4	10,343.9	10,019.0	483.3	3,872.0	826.2	828.5
1978								
September	4,879.9	3,840.9	3,588.1	3,256.0	165.0	1,458.9	254.6	340.9
October	4,532.2	3,369.5	3,157.3	3,111.3	144.7	1,276.2	260.9	208.0
November	4,988.5	3,847.3	3,630.0	3,409.0	198.7	1,380.8	294.8	346.1
December	4,853.5	3,654.6	3,556.5	3,498.7	139.8	1,215.0	270.5	274.4
1979								
January	5,165.1	3,979.0	3,825.1	3,608.7	212.0	1,344.4	317.8	284.6
February	4,731.7	3,651.4	3,531.9	3,389.1	136.8	1,205.9	298.6	279.7
			Percent changes					
February/January	-8.3	-8.2	-7.6	-6.0	-35.4	-10.3	-6.0	-1.7
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	2.4	2.0	5.1	7.3	-3.9	-8.5	9.4	-6.2
Feb. 79/Feb. 78	14.9	14.2	15.1	18.7	-19.3	10.1	23.1	11.4

Table 5
Total Exports by Principal Trading Areas, Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Monthly				Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
			Dec. 1978	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.
			(\$ millions)						
United States	3,274.2	3,435.8	3,288.4	2,883.7	2,534.6	2,842.0	13.5	35.5	15.7
United Kingdom	127.9	192.8	140.9	170.8	126.1	200.0	-25.1	52.9	-29.5
Other E.E.C.	272.2	323.1	288.4	236.3	185.7	282.3	15.1	73.9	2.1
Japan	249.6	332.3	216.1	243.6	213.5	179.0	2.4	55.6	20.7
Other O.E.C.D.	105.9	156.5	90.3	102.5	82.6	117.1	3.4	89.4	-22.9
Other America	174.3	186.6	153.9	199.7	156.3	179.9	-12.7	19.4	-14.4
Other Countries	266.5	340.2	374.7	259.7	208.7	289.0	2.6	63.0	29.6
All Countries	4,470.5	4,967.3	4,552.6	4,096.3	3,507.3	4,089.3	9.1	41.6	11.3
	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Year-to-Date				Feb.-Feb. Percent Changes		
			Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	79/78	78/77	
United States	6,710.0	3,435.8	5,418.3	2,534.6	4,450.8	2,145.3	23.8	21.7	
United Kingdom	320.6	192.8	296.8	126.1	296.8	159.3	8.0	0.0	
Other E.E.C.	595.3	323.1	422.0	185.7	452.1	235.5	41.0	-6.6	
Japan	581.9	332.3	457.1	213.5	380.1	195.1	27.3	20.2	
Other O.E.C.D.	262.4	156.5	185.1	82.6	188.5	84.0	41.8	-1.8	
Other America	360.9	186.6	356.0	156.3	242.8	117.1	1.3	46.6	
Other Countries	606.6	340.2	468.3	208.7	429.7	224.1	29.5	8.9	
All Countries	9,437.8	4,967.3	7,603.6	3,507.3	6,440.8	3,160.3	24.1	18.0	

Table 6

**Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings,
Not Seasonally Adjusted**

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	14.6	20.1	21.7	17.7	9.5	17.8	-17.7	110.5	21.4
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	300.1	417.6	404.5	341.1	281.2	456.2	-12.0	48.4	-11.3
Meat and fish	95.6	114.7	108.7	79.9	75.3	94.2	19.6	52.2	15.3
Cereals and preparations	109.9	181.3	198.1	162.3	140.5	268.7	-32.2	29.0	-26.2
Wheat	73.4	140.6	108.6	93.1	94.1	192.2	-21.2	49.4	-43.5
Crude Materials, Inedible	770.8	888.9	828.5	745.5	730.1	808.0	3.3	21.7	2.5
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	146.7	224.4	236.6	194.8	159.9	233.5	-24.6	40.3	1.3
Crude petroleum	167.2	173.0	154.3	137.0	163.5	154.3	22.0	5.7	0.0
Natural gas	243.1	227.3	200.1	205.9	212.9	205.8	18.0	6.7	-2.7
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,630.4	1,812.3	1,508.6	1,515.5	1,276.5	1,351.0	7.5	41.9	11.6
Wood and paper	754.5	933.1	761.1	701.9	630.9	686.8	7.4	47.8	10.8
Lumber, softwood	221.4	316.7	235.4	234.0	205.2	194.6	-5.3	54.3	20.9
Wood pulp and similar pulp	203.0	262.3	199.9	173.5	147.3	169.7	17.0	78.0	17.8
Newsprint paper	227.3	240.1	224.9	206.9	202.0	225.3	9.8	18.8	-0.1
Textiles	13.3	14.3	11.9	12.6	8.4	9.7	5.8	71.4	22.4
Chemicals	213.3	223.2	213.0	173.6	117.9	147.2	22.8	89.3	44.6
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	61.4	69.7	72.0	74.6	44.8	43.5	-17.7	55.5	65.4
Petroleum and coal products	107.2	109.7	72.3	80.7	76.4	63.9	32.8	43.7	13.1
Iron and steel	117.1	133.3	122.2	108.7	87.2	97.5	7.7	52.8	25.3
Non-ferrous metals	277.2	228.1	212.9	309.5	237.7	228.0	-10.4	-4.0	-6.6
Copper and alloys	27.7	21.6	25.3	69.7	40.1	42.7	-60.2	-46.0	-40.8
Nickel and alloys	47.9	20.1	11.3	76.1	71.0	54.6	-37.0	-71.7	-79.3
End Products, Inedible	1,649.5	1,702.1	1,685.6	1,390.8	1,151.6	1,375.8	18.6	47.8	22.5
Industrial machinery	128.5	146.7	138.6	116.9	89.4	110.5	9.9	64.1	25.4
Agricultural machinery and tractors	53.1	45.3	44.5	53.8	25.2	40.2	-1.2	79.9	10.6
Transportation equipment	1,205.4	1,219.6	1,242.8	993.9	879.9	984.9	21.2	38.6	26.1
Passenger automobiles and chassis	387.9	388.2	451.2	358.6	331.8	368.6	8.1	16.9	22.3
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	284.0	254.1	282.4	227.7	182.1	210.1	24.6	39.5	34.4
Other motor vehicles	19.2	30.0	22.8	12.8	15.9	25.0	50.7	89.4	-8.8
Motor vehicle engines and parts	82.8	92.0	86.7	78.3	85.4	65.8	5.7	7.6	31.7
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	299.3	331.9	287.0	241.0	213.4	238.7	24.1	55.5	20.2
Other equipment and tools	122.3	136.0	117.9	96.2	68.9	99.1	27.2	97.5	18.9
Special transactions, Trade	20.9	18.4	9.1	6.5	7.0	4.5	222.3	163.5	102.5
Total	4,386.2	4,859.4	4,457.9	4,017.0	3,455.9	4,013.2	9.1	40.6	11.0

were down 6.1% or \$220 million following a 3.1% increase in January. This was a smaller percentage decline than for total exports. The rate of increase in the exports trend to the U.S. peaked in October with an increase of 3.3%, diminishing to an increase of 2.9% in November and 2.3% in December to \$3.43 billion (70% of total exports).

February exports to the United Kingdom decreased 35.5% following a 52% increase in January. Exports to other European Economic Community (EEC) countries declined 6% in February following a 17.5% increase in January and exports to Japan declined 1.7% following a 3.8% increase in January. Increases in export trends peaked in October for the U.K. and other EEC countries and in September for Japan.

Imports (Seasonally Adjusted), Customs Basis

Imports from the U.S. declined 5.6% or \$208 million following an 8.1% increase in January. Increases in the trend of imports from the U.S. peaked in November, one month later than exports to the U.S., with an increase of 4.0% diminishing to a 3.6% increase in December to \$3.4 billion (72.2% of total imports).

February imports from the U.K. decreased 39.4% or \$55 million following a 16.4% decrease in January. Imports from other EEC countries declined 11.2% following a 4% increase in January and imports from Japan declined 21% following a 1.9% decrease in January.

The trend in imports from the U.K. peaked in November 1978 and declined 3% in December to \$142 million (3% of total imports). For Japan it peaked in September and has since declined at an increasing rate with a 4.7% decrease in December to \$187 million (4% of total imports). Increases in imports from the other EEC countries peaked in October with a 6.9% increase, diminishing to a 3.5% increase in December to \$296 million (6.3% of total imports).

For further information on area and commodity trade, order the February issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

Table 6 (Continued)

**Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings,
Not Seasonally Adjusted**

	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Year-to-Date		Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Feb.-Feb. Percent Changes	
			Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978			79/78	78/77
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	34.6	20.1	27.3	9.5	16.3	9.2	27.1	67.3
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	717.7	417.6	622.3	281.2	579.0	295.5	15.3	7.4
Meat and fish	210.3	114.7	155.3	75.3	100.0	48.3	35.4	55.2
Cereals and preparations	291.2	181.3	302.8	140.5	333.3	181.5	-3.8	-9.1
Wheat	213.9	140.6	187.2	94.1	243.2	121.2	14.2	-23.0
Crude Materials, Inedible	1,659.7	888.9	1,475.6	730.1	1,342.4	709.2	12.4	9.9
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	371.0	224.4	354.6	159.9	344.0	206.7	4.6	3.0
Crude petroleum	340.2	173.0	300.5	163.5	309.2	169.4	13.1	-2.8
Natural gas	470.4	227.3	418.8	212.9	329.9	154.4	12.3	26.9
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	3,442.7	1,812.3	2,792.0	1,276.5	2,157.8	1,070.9	23.3	29.3
Wood and paper	1,687.6	933.1	1,332.9	630.9	1,090.6	543.4	26.6	22.2
Lumber, softwood	538.1	316.7	439.1	205.2	306.1	157.0	22.5	43.4
Woodpulp and similar pulp	465.3	262.3	320.8	147.3	351.0	160.2	45.0	-8.6
Newsprint paper	467.4	240.1	408.9	202.0	326.1	166.8	14.3	25.4
Textiles	27.6	14.3	20.9	8.4	16.5	7.1	32.0	26.4
Chemicals	436.5	223.2	291.4	117.9	252.8	123.4	49.7	15.2
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	131.1	69.7	119.4	44.8	104.0	50.7	9.7	14.8
Petroleum and coal products	216.9	109.7	157.1	76.4	134.4	57.7	38.1	16.8
Iron and steel	250.4	133.3	195.8	87.2	152.4	83.7	27.8	28.5
Non-ferrous metals	505.3	228.1	547.2	237.7	368.1	192.2	-7.6	48.6
Copper and alloys	49.4	21.6	109.8	40.1	82.0	44.7	-55.0	33.8
Nickel and alloys	68.0	20.1	147.1	71.0	54.4	33.5	-53.8	170.6
End Products, Inedible	3,351.7	1,702.1	2,542.3	1,151.6	2,216.4	1,021.6	31.8	14.7
Industrial machinery	275.2	146.7	206.2	89.4	161.6	72.6	33.4	27.6
Agricultural machinery and tractors	98.3	45.3	78.9	25.2	83.8	35.0	24.6	-5.8
Transportation equipment	2,425.0	1,219.6	1,873.9	879.9	1,674.9	783.0	29.4	11.8
Passenger automobiles and chassis	776.1	388.2	690.4	331.8	693.3	332.2	12.4	-0.4
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	538.1	254.1	409.8	182.1	305.9	144.3	31.2	33.9
Other motor vehicles	49.3	30.0	28.6	15.9	20.5	7.7	72.1	39.6
Motor vehicle engines and parts	174.8	92.0	163.8	85.4	162.2	73.5	6.7	0.9
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	631.2	331.9	454.4	213.4	374.6	178.3	38.8	21.3
Other equipment and tools	258.4	136.0	165.0	68.9	132.6	59.2	56.5	24.4
Special Transactions, Trade	39.2	18.4	13.4	7.0	11.2	5.6	191.8	19.5
Total	9,245.6	4,859.4	7,472.9	3,455.9	6,323.1	3,111.9	23.7	18.1

Railway Carloadings, February 1979 — Advance Information

Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada totalled 17.0 million short tons (15.4 million t) in February, an increase of 6.5% from a year earlier. The carriers received an additional 1.6 million short tons (1.5 million t) from the United States, a decline of 0.1% from February 1978.

Commodities showing notable year-over-year percentage change in the latest month included copper-nickel ores and concentrates (down 94.0% due to a continuing strike at Inco mines); coal (down 18.8%); and fuel oil (down 17.7%). Loadings of wheat were up 30.6%.

In the first two months of 1979, total loadings in Canada registered a 2.1% decline from January-February 1978, while receipts from U.S. connections were up 8.1%.

For further information, order the February issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, 30¢/\$3) or, for seasonally-adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallieres (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Provincial Government Enterprise Finance, 1976 — Advance Information

Provincial and territorial government enterprises (105) reported that sales of goods and services in 1976 increased by 21.1% over the previous year to \$10,056 million (out of total income of \$11,023 million). Total expenditures, before allowance for income tax, were \$9,449 million. After-tax profits of \$1,545 million showed an increase of \$559 million or 56.6% over 1975. The higher profits in 1976 mostly reflected gains by the larger electric power enterprises and for provincial insurance corporations.

For further information, order *Provincial Government Enterprise Finance*, 1976 (61-204, \$1.40), or contact Mr. R.C. Sauriol (613-995-8201), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

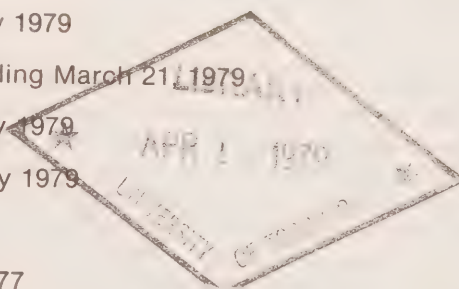
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- 32-010** (30¢/\$3) **Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables**, March 1, 1979
- 44-003** (15¢/\$1.50) **Gypsum Products**, February 1979
- 51-001** (40¢/\$4) **Transcontinental and Regional Air Carrier Operations**, October 1978
- 61-005** (40¢/\$4) **Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry**, December 1978
- 65-006** (\$2.10/\$8.40) **Imports by Countries**, January-December 1978
- 82-212** (70¢) **Tuberculosis Statistics, Morbidity and Mortality**, 1977
- 95-855** (\$3) **Provincial Census Tracts: Reference Maps, Ontario, 1976 Census of Canada**

Service Bulletins:

13-003 (\$1.40 per year) **Science Statistics**, Vol. 3, No. 3, Total Expenditures on R&D in Canada, 1978

64-003 (\$1.40 per year) **Construction Statistics**, Vol. 2, No. 1, Annual Expenditures in Housing, 1977-79

Note to Data Users

Canada-United States trade in automotive products, shown in this special release, is measured by comparing the import statistics of each country. U.S. statistics on imports from Canada (converted to Canadian dollars) are used to represent Canadian exports because this enables a more exact comparison of the two trade flows. This greater exactness results from several factors. Customs revenue is collected on the basis of import documentation and consequently, the filing and scrutiny of documents is more rigorous. Also the availability of an import tariff code enables a more precise and detailed commodity classification: for example, items such as tires, bearings, radios, fasteners, hardware, fabric, glass, metal materials, lighting fixtures, ignition equipment, etc. which can be related to automobiles or other commodities can be identified as automotive by using the tariff code. As a result, the data in this release, for automotive trade with the United States, differs significantly from data released in all other Statistics Canada trade reports such as the *Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade* (Daily Bulletin, Catalogue 11-001) and the monthly *Summary of External Trade* (Catalogue 65-001). Data in these trade reports give a reasonable and more timely approximation of automotive trade; however, they should not be expected to agree precisely with this release.

The data published in Table 1 of this release also appear in the Annual Report of the President to the (U.S.) Congress on the operation of the Automotive Products Trade Act of 1965, and are accepted in both countries as the official measure of trade in automotive products.

Exports to other countries (excluding the United States) are measured using Canadian export statistics, and not the counterpart country import statistics.

Foreign Trade in Automotive Products, 1978 — Published only in the *Daily and Infomat*

Trade With the United States

Automotive exports to the United States increased more strongly than imports in 1978, exports rising 21.6% to \$12 billion compared with a 14.5% increase in imports to \$12.5 billion. (These rates of increase, particularly for imports, were more moderate than in 1977 when exports grew 25.2% and imports 23.3%.) As a result of the stronger 1978 growth in exports than imports, the deficit in automotive trade with the U.S. was halved to \$538 million in 1978 from \$1,080 million in 1977 (see Table 1).

The reduction of the deficit in 1978 was mainly due to trade in motor vehicles. Exports of cars increased 17.1% to \$4.72 billion compared with an increase in imports of 6% to \$2.99 billion; this resulted in an increase of \$522 million in the surplus on cars to \$1.74 billion. Exports of trucks and other motor vehicles increased 30.2% to \$2.56 billion compared with an increase of 18.2% in imports to \$1.33 billion — the trucks and other motor vehicles surplus thus increased

Table 1
Canada-United States Trade in Automotive Products

	Annual Totals			Value Change		Percentage change	
	1976	1977	1978	1977	1978	1977	1978
	(\$ millions)					(%)	
United States Imports from Canada*							
Cars	3,430	4,032	4,723	602	691	17.6	17.1
Trucks and other motor vehicles	1,344	1,964	2,557	620	593	46.1	30.2
Parts	2,942	3,721	4,519	779	798	26.5	21.4
Tires and tubes	163	144	192	-19	48	-11.7	33.3
Total	7,879	9,861	11,991	1,982	2,130	25.2	21.6
Canadian Imports from United States							
Cars	2,317	2,818	2,987	501	169	21.6	6.0
Trucks and other motor vehicles	970	1,122	1,326	152	204	15.7	18.2
Parts	5,473	6,848	8,087	1,375	1,239	25.1	18.1
Tires and tubes	115	153	129	38	-24	33.0	-15.7
Total	8,874	10,941	12,529	2,067	1,588	23.3	14.5
Balance							
Cars	1,113	1,214	1,736	101	522	9.1	43.0
Trucks and other motor vehicles	375	842	1,231	467	389	124.5	46.2
Parts	-2,531	-3,127	-3,568	-596	-441	23.5	14.1
Tire and tubes	48	-9	63	-57	72	—	—
Total	-995	-1,080	-538	-85	542	8.5	-50.2
Excluded: retroactive adjustments to values of imported parts for special tooling charges	112	77	—	—	—	—	—

* For an explanation of the reason for using U.S. import statistics, see note for data users.

\$389 million to \$1.23 billion. The increase in the combined surplus for vehicles was \$911 million to a level of \$2.97 billion. The increase in the vehicle surplus was partly offset by a \$441 million increase in the parts deficit to \$3.57 billion; parts exports increased 21.4% to \$4.52 billion while imports increased 18.1% to \$8.09 billion. (Some of the increase in imports of parts is attributable to completely knocked down vehicles destined for affiliated companies in overseas countries.)

Trade With Other Countries

In contrast to trade with the U.S., exports of automotive products to other countries increased less than imports (see Table 2). Imports were up 38.7% to \$1.3 billion while exports rose 26.4% to \$1.04 billion. As a result, the deficit with overseas countries increased \$145 million to reach \$256 million in 1978. Much of the deterioration in the balance was caused by a 50.6% increase in imports of foreign cars to \$801 million compared with a 33.7% increase in exports to \$460 million; this increased the car deficit by \$153 million to \$341 million. Exports of trucks and other motor vehicles declined 7% to \$251 million while imports increased 53.3% to \$92 million, thus causing a \$51 million decline in the surplus to \$159 million. A \$41 million deficit in parts changed to a \$52 million surplus in 1978 — exports of parts increased 61% to \$314 million while imports were up 11% to \$262 million. The deficit on tires and tubes increased \$32 million to reach \$135 million in 1978. (It should be noted that imports of parts from the U.S. which are attributable to completely knocked down vehicles destined for affiliated

companies in overseas countries, mentioned above, are sometimes included in exports of vehicles to overseas countries and sometimes in parts exports according to the degree of completeness of the vehicle.)

Passenger Car Imports

The number of passenger cars imported from the U.S. declined 5.9% in 1978 while the average price increased 12.7%, resulting in a 6% rise in the value of car imports.

The U.S. share of Canada's passenger car imports fell in 1978 to 74.1% from 77.5% in the previous year. Japan and West Germany increased their shares of total imports to hold 17.4% and 5.5%, respectively. Cars imported from Japan showed the largest increase in average unit value, followed by those from West Germany, France, and the U.K. (see Table 3). Much of these increases appear to have been related to the appreciation of these countries' currencies against the Canadian dollar. It should be noted, however, that introduction of new car lines, basic price increases, and changes in the composition of imports can also affect average unit values.

For further information, contact David Caldwell (613-995-6115), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see tables 2 & 3 on next page)

Table 2
Canada-Overseas Countries Trade in Automotive Products

	Annual Totals			Value Change		Percentage Change	
	1976	1977	1978	1977	1978	1977	1978
	(\$ millions)					(%)	
Canadian Exports							
Cars	220	344	460	124	116	56.4	33.7
Trucks and Other Motor Vehicles	208	270	251	62	-19	29.8	-7.0
Parts	171	195	314	24	119	14.0	61.0
Tires and tubes	8	7	10	-1	3	-12.5	42.9
Re-exports	10	10	9	0	-1	0.0	-10.0
Total	617	826	1,044	209	218	33.9	26.4
Canadian Imports							
Cars	483	532	801	49	269	10.1	50.6
Trucks and Other Motor Vehicles	50	60	92	10	32	20.0	53.3
Parts	231	236	262	5	26	2.2	11.0
Tires and tubes	79	110	145	31	35	39.2	31.8
Total	843	937	1,300	94	363	11.2	38.7
Balance							
Cars	-263	-188	-341	75	-153	-28.5	81.4
Trucks and Other Motor Vehicles	158	210	159	52	-51	32.9	-24.3
Parts	-60	-41	52	19	93	-31.7	—
Tires and tubes	-71	-103	-135	-32	-32	45.1	31.1
Re-exports	10	10	9	0	-1	0.0	-10.0
Total	-226	-111	-256	115	-145	-50.9	130.6

Table 3
Canadian Passenger Car Imports

	1977		1978		Volume %	Change in 1978	Exchange Rate* %
	Units (000)	Share %	Units (000)	Share %		Average Price %	
United States	584.2	77.5	549.8	74.1	-5.9	12.7	7.2
Japan	119.3	15.8	129.3	17.4	8.4	37.0	37.7
West Germany	35.3	4.7	41.1	5.5	16.4	29.9	24.1
United Kingdom	5.3	0.7	6.9	0.9	30.2	14.3	17.9
France	7.4	1.0	7.8	1.0	5.4	15.7	17.1
Italy	1.7	0.2	3.7	0.5	117.6	-0.7	—
Other Countries	1.0	0.1	3.5	0.5	250.0	-14.9	—
All Countries	754.2	100.0	742.0	100.0	-1.6	15.0	15.0

* Minus (-) sign indicates depreciation of the value of the currency of the country against the Canadian dollar. Rate for all countries is the rate against the Canadian dollar of the SDR, a weighted average of sixteen major world currencies calculated by the International Monetary Fund.

Coal and Coke Statistics, January 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian coal production increased 15.6% in January to 2 879 159 metric tonnes from 2 490 768 metric tonnes in January 1978. Landed imports rose 90.9% to 171 755 metric tonnes from 89 959 metric tonnes a year earlier.

For further information, order the January issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact Dave Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy Section, Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Electric Power Statistics, January 1979 — Advance Information

In January, net generation increased to 34.8 TW.h from 33.4 TW.h in January 1978. Hydro generation was up 2.6% while thermal production increased 7.3%.

For further information, order the January issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Financial Institutions

Fourth Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

	4th Quarter 1978	Change From Same Period a Year Earlier		Amount Change from 3rd Quarter 1978
	\$'000	Amount \$'000	%	\$'000
Trust Companies				
Mortgages	20,478,524	3,325,326	19.6	1,014,360
Total assets	27,906,220	4,538,874	19.6	1,337,287
Demand deposits	4,820,513	420,863	9.7	-90,392
Term deposits	20,450,563	3,619,834	21.7	1,366,686
Mortgage Companies				
Mortgages	8,475,435	785,291	10.0	156,631
Total assets	10,482,983	1,218,858	12.9	394,490
Demand deposits	474,827	35,994	7.6	10,573
Term deposits	7,052,720	683,383	12.7	238,152
Real Estate Investment Trusts				
Mortgages	988,043	107,960	12.3	-2,713
Total assets	1,778,010	182,141	11.4	-115,008
Financial Corporations				
Retail sales financing:				
Industrial & Commercial	2,624,770	243,498	9.3	169,562
Consumer	2,710,871	282,482	10.4	229,613
Wholesale Financing	2,122,853	15,271	0.7	119,514
Loans Under Small Loans Act	184,023	-25,637	-13.9	5,659
Other Personal Loans	1,552,420	12,792	0.8	-5,663
Total Assets	12,825,190	946,298	7.4	678,836
Finance Leasing Corporations				
Lease contracts	849,525	120,927	14.2	60,668
Total assets	1,219,840	129,164	10.6	85,757
Investment Funds (Cost)				
Canadian Preferred Shares	50,100	5,237	10.0	-2,891
Canadian common shares	869,882	-209,146	-20.8	-56,457
Foreign Preferred & Common Shares	449,870	29,365	7.8	6,682
Total Assets	3,561,586	372,919	12.3	12,224
Total Portfolio:				
Cost	3,416,507	341,116	11.7	4,401
Market	3,748,804	694,865	22.7	-15,883
Closed-End Funds (Cost)				
Canadian Common Shares	373,376	-11,475	-3.3	20
Total Portfolio:				
Cost	536,635	-5,832	-1.1	-4,907
Market	880,942	137,421	18.5	-30,710
Property & Casualty Insurance Cos.				
Net Premiums	1,231,269	27,141	2.2	102,824
Underwriting Gains	-77,908	72,815		-88,229
Total assets	9,489,493	971,956	11.6	345,074

Further information will be contained in the Statistics Canada publication *Financial Institutions, Financial Statistics*, fourth quarter 1978 (61-006, \$1.40/\$5.60).

Steel Ingots, Week Ended March 31, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended March 31 was 323,936 short tons (293 870 t), an increase of 1.5% from the preceding week's total of 319,215 short tons (289 587 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 305,995 short tons (277 594 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (116 211 t) equalling 100 was 176.8 in the current week, 174.2 a week earlier and 167.0 a year earlier.

For further information, contact Mr. Brian Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Estimates of Employees, January 1979 — Advance Information

Monthly summary data are released on a regular basis in the *Statistics Canada Daily*, while detailed monthly information is published in catalogue 72-008, *Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry*, and is also available from Mr. G. Mahoney (613-995-6868), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2

(see table on next page)

Advance Estimates of Employees

January 1979

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Number of Employees									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Jan. 1979f	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978r	Oct. 1978r	Jan. 1978 (000's)	Dec. 1977	Jan. 1979f	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978r	Oct. 1978r
Industry Division										
Forestry	60.4	62.8	70.0	76.1	56.7	61.9	68.9	69.3	69.0	69.5
Mining (including milling)	133.9	134.6	137.0	138.2	140.1	138.4	135.5	135.7	136.8	138.4
Manufacturing	1,804.7	1,802.9	1,835.1	1,845.2	1,733.3	1,732.0	1,854.5	1,846.9	1,833.3	1,831.7
Construction	376.8	391.3	458.7	486.1	372.7	394.1	440.5	447.3	447.5	446.7
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	795.3	797.4	810.4	815.2	771.2	781.3	816.4	816.4	817.0	810.6
Trade	1,476.9	1,517.7	1,511.8	1,496.8	1,433.5	1,458.2	1,495.6	1,486.7	1,483.4	1,474.9
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	494.7	490.7	491.8	490.1	485.9	484.4	498.2	493.8	493.4	490.6
Total Service	2,583.9	2,548.6	2,596.4	2,595.0	2,518.8	2,495.3	2,586.7	2,576.3	2,571.3	2,571.4
Non-commercial Service	1,456.7	1,429.8	1,455.3	1,438.0	1,420.6	1,405.5	1,413.5	1,414.2	1,411.3	1,408.3
Commercial Service	1,127.2	1,118.7	1,141.1	1,156.9	1,098.8	1,089.8	1,173.2	1,162.1	1,160.1	1,163.1
Public Administration and Defence(1)	605.7	612.8	619.2	620.1	607.4	612.7	623.6	630.6	632.4	631.0
Total Non-agricultural Industries(2)	8,340.3	8,368.6	8,540.5	8,575.6	8,123.9	8,164.2	8,531.5	8,516.4	8,496.0	8,478.6
Total Non-agricultural Industries										
Newfoundland	126.7	129.4	133.8	135.5	122.7	124.5	135.5	133.9	132.6	131.6
Prince Edward Island	28.5	29.5	30.2	30.7	26.3	27.7	31.1	30.8	30.2	30.0
Nova Scotia	242.8	245.3	249.5	252.8	232.1	237.6	252.7	251.3	248.3	249.6
New Brunswick	181.4	183.8	190.6	193.6	178.7	183.6	193.2	191.9	191.8	190.8
Quebec	2,098.2	2,096.4	2,154.8	2,164.3	2,061.9	2,071.2	2,136.9	2,132.3	2,134.8	2,130.7
Ontario	3,358.6	3,367.3	3,427.8	3,430.1	3,288.0	3,302.3	3,427.0	3,425.2	3,414.0	3,398.5
Manitoba	345.5	347.0	350.0	352.9	336.6	338.3	352.7	352.1	347.4	348.9
Saskatchewan	256.8	257.2	262.4	266.2	246.7	251.0	262.0	259.8	260.8	264.4
Alberta	759.2	765.3	778.1	776.3	724.4	718.4	775.5	774.9	774.1	770.5
British Columbia	911.8	915.0	930.5	936.5	880.8	882.2	928.9	926.7	926.5	925.7
Canada(3)	8,340.3	8,368.6	8,540.5	8,575.6	8,123.9	8,164.2	8,531.5	8,516.4	8,496.0	8,478.6

f first estimate based on a limited number of returns

p preliminary figures

r revised figures

(1) Excludes military personnel

(2) Includes Fishing and Trapping

(3) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended March 21, 1979 — Published Only in the Daily

Railways in Canada loaded 4.3 million t(4.7 million short tons) of revenue freight in the above-noted week, an increase of 16.6% over the corresponding seven days in 1978. Tonnage was up 25.0% in the East and 8.7% in the West.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments (included above) rose 5.3% in the East but dropped 13.7% west of the Lakehead to register an over-all decline of 0.4%. The number of railway cars loaded in the latest period showed a gain of 2.6% to 7,713 units.

In the period January 1 through March 21, 1979, rail freight loadings aggregated 45.1 million t (49.7 million

short tons), up 0.4% from 1978. Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic was 1.2% below the year-earlier level.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending March 21, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,442,539	2,263,658	4,706,197
Short tons, 1978	1,953,820	2,083,393	4,037,213
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 215 834	2 053 556	4 269 390
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 772 476	1 890 022	3 662 498
% change	25.0	8.7	16.6
Cars, 1979	40,511	33,016	73,527
Cars, 1978	34,777	31,243	66,020
% change	16.5	5.7	11.4
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	173,223	60,241	233,464
Short tons, 1978	164,577	69,842	234,419
Metric tonnes, 1979	157 145	54 650	211 795
Metric tonnes, 1978	149 302	63 360	212 662
% change	5.3	-13.7	-0.4
Cars, 1979	5,267	2,446	7,713
Cars, 1978	4,831	2,684	7,515
% change	9.0	-8.9	2.6
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	26,231,275	23,508,984	49,740,259
Short tons, 1978	26,460,907	23,061,598	49,522,505
Metric tonnes, 1979	23 796 612	21 326 992	45 123 604
Metric tonnes, 1978	24 004 931	20 921 130	44 926 061
% change	-0.9	1.9	0.4
Cars, 1979	428,582	346,339	774,921
Cars, 1978	430,786	348,057	778,843
% change	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	1,804,674	693,936	2,498,610
Short tons, 1978	1,870,957	659,232	2,530,189
Metric tonnes, 1979	1 637 173	629 528	2 266 701
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 697 304	598 045	2 295 349
% change	-3.5	5.3	-1.2
Cars, 1979	54,996	26,771	81,767
Cars, 1978	55,375	26,656	82,031
% change	-0.7	0.4	-0.3

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Selected Principal Statistics for Breweries

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1093		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	42	41	-2.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	7,033	7,262	3.3
Man-hours paid	000's	14,726	15,192	3.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	112,385	124,942	11.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	14,897	16,981	14.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	241,947	250,544	3.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	736,051	815,587	10.8
Value added	\$000	481,662	547,494	13.7
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	11,632	12,112	4.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	194,643	216,875	11.4
Total value added	\$000	493,645	557,239	12.9

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Breweries 1977* (32-205, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Confectionery Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1081		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	94	89	-5.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	6,701	6,455	-3.7
Man-hours paid	000's	13,792	13,186	-4.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	60,303	63,173	4.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	4,911	5,844	19.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	243,756	263,595	8.3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	489,259	526,740	7.7
Value added	\$000	243,418	265,162	8.9
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	9,219	9,092	-1.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	93,694	101,228	8.0
Total value added	\$000	251,167	272,200	8.4

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Confectionery Manufacturers, 1977* (32-213, 70¢).

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory Services staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island by telephoning 1-800-565-7192. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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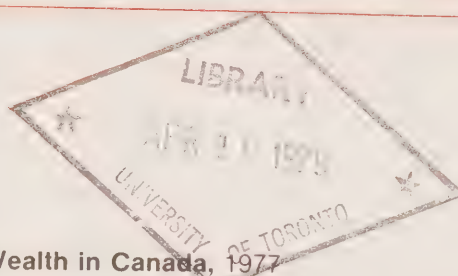
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PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

- 32-012 (30¢/\$3) Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, March 1979**
- 33-205 (70¢) Miscellaneous Leather Products Manufacturers, 1977**
- 35-003 (30¢/\$3) British Columbia Sawmills and Planing Mills, January 1979**
- 36-004 (15¢/\$1.50) Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, February 1979**
- 41-204 (70¢) Aluminum Rolling, Casting and Extruding, 1977**
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- 57-202 (\$1.40) Electric Power Statistics, Volume II, Annual Statistics, 1977**
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New Publications:

- 99-755E (\$2.10) Income Distribution and Inequality in Canada** by Roger Love

Publication Changes

The following four Statistics Canada publications which had been scheduled to be discontinued have been reinstated effective as follows:

- The quarterly report *Bread and Other Bakery Products* (catalogue 32-015) has been reinstated effective with the issue for the first quarter of 1979.
- The service bulletin *Minerals Service Bulletin* (catalogue 41-010) has been reinstated as of the first issue available.
- The service bulletin *Metals Service Bulletin* (catalogue 41-018) has been reinstated as of the first issue available.
- The monthly report *Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers* (catalogue 46-001) has been reinstated with the first issue for March 1979 to contain data for the first three months of the year.

Three other publications have been discontinued with an earlier issue than previously announced:

- The annual report *Vocational and Technical Training* (catalogue 81-209) has been discontinued effective with the issue for 1976-77.
- The annual report *Students in Public Trade Schools and Similar Institutions* (catalogue 81-239) has been discontinued effective with the issue for 1976-77.
- The annual report *Mental Health Statistics, Patient Movement, Preliminary* (catalogue 83-204p) has been discontinued effective with the 1977 issue.

The Distribution of Income and Wealth in Canada, 1977 — Advance Information

Mean wealth of all family units was \$46,273 while their average income was \$15,849 in 1976, according to the latest in a series of data on assets and debts of Canadian households collected as a supplement to the Survey of Consumer Finances conducted in May 1977. Both the distribution of wealth and mean wealth varied considerably according to family income group: for instance, family units with incomes under \$3,000 had a mean wealth of \$16,657 with 30% of these holding wealth of less than \$1,000 while family units with incomes of \$35,000 and over had a mean wealth of \$205,859 with 31.1% of these reporting wealth of \$150,000 and over.

The composition of wealth at the national level indicates that the value of owner-occupied homes accounted for 47.9% of total asset holdings followed by 19.3% of assets held in the form of equity in business/professional interests. Only one-fifth of total asset holdings consisted of liquid and other financial assets. The composition of wealth again varied with the size of family income (see Table 2). On the debt side, mortgage debt on the home was the biggest financial liability; this liability, when expressed as a percentage proportion of total asset holdings, amounted to 10.8% at the national level compared to a maximum value of 18.9% for family units in the \$20,000-\$24,999 income group.

Some 59.6% of all family units owned their homes and the average market value of an owner-occupied home was estimated at \$43,843. Again, 54% of all home owners had a mortgage on the home and their average mortgage indebtedness amounted to \$18,285. (Table 3

further shows the proportion of family units with selected types of assets and debts and their respective average amounts.)

For more detailed data on the distribution and composition of wealth of families by their selected socio-demographic characteristics, see the forthcoming report entitled *The Distribution of Income and Wealth in Canada, 1977* (Catalogue no. 13-570), scheduled for release in the fall of 1979. Enquiries concerning this survey should be directed to the Data Dissemination Section (613-992-4742), Consumer Income and Expenditure Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Preliminary Report on Unemployment Insurance Statistics, January 1979

Persons qualifying for unemployment insurance benefits for the week ended January 13 reached 932,000*, up 20% from the previous month (about the same rate of increase was noted between December 1977 and January 1978). Compared with January 1978, the number of beneficiaries was 8% lower.

Benefits paid in January amounted to \$526* million, an increase of 61% from December. A rise of 64% in the number of weeks of benefit paid was partly offset by a small drop in the average weekly benefit. (A substantial increase in paid benefits always occurs between December and January of each year.)

Claimants applying for benefits in January numbered 308,000, up 12% from December and up 3% from a year earlier.

* The count of beneficiaries cannot be related to the benefit payments made during the month. Whereas the latter figure covers all benefit payments made during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons who qualified for benefits for a specific week each month regardless of when they received payment.

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Farm Wages in Canada, February 1979

The Farm Wages in Canada series provides estimates of average cash wages paid to hired farm labour, by province, as of a particular date. For further information, order *Farm Wages in Canada* (21-002, \$1.40 a year), or contact Michael Trant (613-995-4896), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Average Wages of Farm Help Per Hour (Without Board)

as at February 15, 1979

	\$
Maritimes (P.E.I., N.S., N.B.)	3.36
Québec	3.59
Ontario	3.72
Manitoba	4.27
Saskatchewan	4.18
Alberta	4.25
British Columbia	4.49
Canada	3.89

Table 1

**Percentage Distribution of Families and Unattached Individuals by Size of Wealth* ,
and by Income Groups, Canada**

Spring 1977

Wealth Group	1976 Income Group								Total	Average Income in 1976
	Under \$3,000	\$3,000 to 6,999	\$7,000 to 10,999	\$11,000 to 14,999	\$15,000 to 19,999	\$20,000 to 24,999	\$25,000 to 34,999	\$35,000 and Over		
					%					\$
Negative	10.9	12.6	14.5	12.6	8.2	4.6	2.6	1.0	9.3	10,831
Zero	8.9	2.9	0.9	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.1	—	1.5	4,616
Under \$1,000	30.1	18.9	12.3	6.4	3.0	1.5	0.5	—	9.2	6,706
\$1,000-\$4,999	12.9	14.8	15.8	16.0	9.8	5.6	2.8	0.9	10.9	10,838
5,000-9,999	6.3	6.5	7.2	9.7	8.8	11.3	4.7	2.7	7.6	14,875
10,000-14,999	5.7	4.1	6.1	6.2	8.3	6.0	4.7	1.6	5.6	14,491
15,000-29,999	6.5	11.8	10.8	14.1	17.3	17.2	14.6	4.5	13.0	15,759
30,000-49,999	8.2	12.8	10.9	14.1	17.0	19.9	20.8	12.5	14.8	17,120
50,000-99,999	7.7	11.7	12.9	13.0	17.7	23.6	32.2	27.8	17.4	19,448
100,000-149,999	1.2	2.4	6.0	4.0	6.1	6.1	9.3	17.9	5.8	22,354
150,000-299,999	1.1	1.1	1.9	2.6	2.9	3.0	5.4	14.8	3.2	28,222
300,000 and over	0.5	0.4	0.7	1.1	0.6	0.8	2.3	16.3	1.7	50,316
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	15,849
Mean wealth	\$ 16,657	23,692	31,235	33,896	40,612	46,567	67,939	205,859	46,273	..
Median wealth	\$ 1,065	5,680	9,506	14,140	25,086	33,449	49,223	98,200	21,754	..
Mean assets	\$ 18,121	25,455	34,950	40,794	50,974	60,701	82,224	228,128	54,482	..
Mean debt	\$ 1,464	1,763	3,715	6,898	10,362	14,134	14,285	22,269	8,209	..
Sample size	942	2,165	1,893	1,886	2,138	1,503	1,414	793	12,734	..

* Family's wealth or net worth as defined here refers to the value of total asset holdings less total debt. Total assets consist of liquid and other financial assets (see footnotes ** and *** of Table 2), estimated market value of home, estimated market value of automobiles and equity in vacation home, other real estate and business / professional interests. Total debt, on the other hand, consists of consumer debt (see footnote **** of Table 2), other personal debt and mortgage debt on home.

It may be noted that total asset holdings as used here do not include equity in life insurance policy and accrued claims against work-related retirement pension funds and value of consumer durables other than automobiles.

(see table on next page)

Table 2
Percentage Composition of Wealth (Total Assets=100%) of Families and Unattached Individuals,
Within Income Size Groups, Canada
 Spring 1977

Spring 1977

1976 Income Group	Assets							
	Financial Assets			Equity in vacation home and other real estate	Estimated market value of home	Estimated market value of passen- ger cars	Equity in business professional interests	Total*
	Liquid assets**	Other financial assets***	Total*					
					%			
Under \$3,000	12.8	1.3	14.1	6.3	51.7	2.2	25.7	100.0
\$3,000-\$6,999	17.2	3.2	20.4	7.2	50.1	3.3	19.0	100.0
7,000-10,999	15.8	3.4	19.2	7.2	47.3	4.5	21.8	100.0
11,000-14,999	14.4	3.7	18.0	7.4	49.8	5.4	19.4	100.0
15,000-19,999	12.7	3.9	16.6	8.6	55.0	5.5	14.3	100.0
20,000-24,999	11.0	3.8	14.8	7.8	60.1	5.5	11.9	100.0
25,000-34,999	13.1	5.8	18.9	9.1	54.2	4.9	13.0	100.0
35,000 and over	10.8	17.7	28.5	9.6	29.7	2.4	29.8	100.0
Total	12.9	7.3	20.1	8.4	47.9	4.3	19.3	100.0
	Debts							
	Personal debt							
			Bank loans against securities as collateral and other personal and institutional loans					
1976 Income Group	Consumer debt****			Total*	Mortgage debt on home		Total*	Wealth or net worth
				%				
Under \$3,000	2.7		1.4	4.1	4.0		8.1	91.9
\$3,000-\$6,999	2.0		1.1	3.1	3.8		6.9	93.1
7,000-10,999	3.8		0.8	4.7	5.9		10.6	89.4
11,000-14,999	5.1		0.8	5.9	11.0		16.9	83.1
15,000-19,999	4.4		0.9	5.3	15.0		20.3	79.7
20,000-24,999	3.9		0.5	4.4	18.9		23.3	76.7
25,000-34,999	2.9		0.6	3.5	13.9		17.4	82.6
35,000 and over	2.4		1.2	3.6	6.1		9.8	90.2
Total	3.4		0.8	4.3	10.8		15.1	84.9

* May not add due to rounding.

** Liquid assets consist of cash on hand, deposits in banks and other institutions, savings certificates and all types of bonds including Canada Savings Bonds.

*** Other financial assets include stock holdings, mortgage holdings, Registered Retirement Savings Plans, Registered Home Ownership Savings Plans, and other miscellaneous financial assets including loans to other persons and businesses.

**** Consumer debt consists of money owed on credit cards, charge accounts and instalment debt, bank loans (except student loans and loans secured against securities as collateral), loans from sales finance and consumer loan companies, credit unions and caisses populaires.

(see table on next page)

Table 3

Percentage Proportion of Families and Unattached Individuals with Selected Types of Assets and Debts, Canada

Spring 1977

Selected component	All Family Units		Families		Unattached Individuals	
	Proportion with component	Average amount — holders/debtors only**	Proportion with component	Average amount — holders/debtors only**	Proportion with component	Average amount — holders/debtors only**
	(%)	(\$)	(%)	(\$)	(%)	(\$)
Chartered bank deposits	78.3	4,443	79.3	4,792	75.7	3,492
All other deposits	33.4	5,638	37.4	5,508	22.9	6,190
Canada Savings Bonds	23.5	5,576	25.2	5,391	19.3	6,203
Total stocks	8.5	10,946	9.7	11,652	5.4	7,657
Registered Retirement Savings Plans	14.3	6,225	16.9	6,589	7.8	4,166
Equity in business professional interests	13.0	80,763	16.4	81,627	4.1	71,734
Own a home	59.6	43,843	72.1	45,273	26.8	33,838
Own a vacation home and/or other real estate	16.4	27,793	19.6	27,731	8.0	28,187
Own a passenger car	72.7	3,212	84.1	3,379	42.8	2,359
Bank debt*	27.3	4,850	30.4	5,330	19.3	2,887
Consumer debt	53.2	3,468	60.0	3,825	35.6	1,904
Average income in 1976	. . .	15,849	. . .	19,010	. . .	7,621
Mortgage debt on home (for home-owning family units)	54.0	18,285	58.6	18,438	21.7	15,398

* Bank debt includes both secured and unsecured loans owed to chartered banks, excluding mortgage loans on owner-occupied homes.

** Calculated by dividing the aggregate amount of component by the number of family units reporting that component.

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Jan. 1978	% Change From	
				Dec. 1978	Jan. 1978
Benefits					
Amount paid (\$000)	525,946	326,546	513,674	61	2
Weeks of benefit (000)	4,667	2,853	4,712	64	-1
Average weekly benefit (\$)	112.70	114.46	109.01	-2	3
Claims received (000)	308	276	300	12	3
Beneficiaries (000)	932p	779p	1,011	20	-8

p Preliminary figures

For further information, order the January 1979 issue of *Preliminary Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001-p) or *Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-001, Quarterly, \$1.05 \$4.20), or contact George Fincham (613-995-8445), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

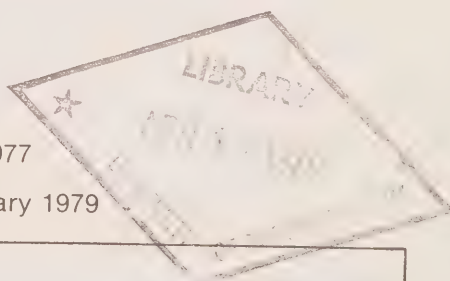
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Canada Year Book 1978-79 Available

The *Canada Year Book*, a publication that draws on a wide variety of sources to provide an in-depth review of economic, social and political developments in Canada, is available now in the 1978-79 edition. Material for the book comes from government departments and agencies at the federal, provincial and territorial levels and from private organizations as well to make this book a valuable and unique reference work giving facts and figures on virtually every facet of life in Canada.

Budgetary pressures arising from rising prices and federal government initiatives to effect general spending reductions have forced Statistics Canada to conclude that, henceforth, the *Canada Year Book* will be published every second year rather than annually. Every effort is being made to ensure that, with the co-operation of contributors, each issue will provide a complete picture of the Canadian scene. The 1978-79 issue is available in Canada at \$15.00, in other countries at \$18.00 (catalogue 11-202E).

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11-202E (Canada: \$15.00, Other countries \$18.00) **Canada Year Book, 1978-79**

31-529 (\$2.10) **Apparent Domestic Availability of Selected Manufactured Products, 1975**

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36-001 (15¢/\$1.50) **Hardboard, February 1979**

56-003 (15¢/\$1.50) **Radio Broadcasting, December 1978**

63-004 (\$1.50 per year) **Department Store Sales by Regions, February 1979**

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing (1971=100), February 1979 — Advance Information

The Industry Selling Price Index for manufacturing rose 1.2% to 205.7 in February from its revised January level of 203.2. The index was 12.5% higher than in February 1978 when it stood at 182.8. The 12-month increase was the largest since May 1975 when the year-to-year change was 12.6%. February's rise followed a 2.2% increase in January over December.

The major groups having the most impact on the total index in February were food and beverage industries, primary metal industries, paper and allied industries, wood industries and metal fabricating industries.

The food and beverage group index rose 2.0%, due largely to an increase of 6.3% for slaughtering and meat processors (prices of fresh/frozen beef rose by 8.2%, fresh/frozen pork increased by 7.0%). Other changes were rises of 0.8% for the dairy products industry, 1.5% for the fish products industry and 4.4% for cane and beet sugar processors.

The main contribution to the 3.2% increase in the primary metal group index was rise of 6.3% for smelting and refining, mainly due to higher prices for zinc, precious metals and copper. The refined zinc index climbed 14.0% and that for refined copper 3.7%. Copper and copper alloy rolling, casting and extruding showed a rise of 7.5%. Metal rolling, casting and extruding (n.e.s.) increased by 5.3%, partly due to an advance of 12.2% for secondary non-ferrous metals-aluminum. The iron and steel mills index rose 0.6%, largely because of an increase of 5.7% for concrete reinforcing bars.

The paper and allied industries index was up 1.7% in February, reflecting a rise of 2.2% for pulp and paper mills, brought about mainly by a price increase of 4.5% for white newsprint in rolls.

A rise of 1.2% in the wood products group index was attributable mainly to increases of 1.6% for sawmills and planing mills (planed spruce was up 2.4%, hemlock 1.9% and cedar 1.6%), 1.0% for veneer and plywood mills (Douglas fir plywood up 1.1% and yellow birch plywood 5.4%), and 0.5% for sash and door and other millwork plants.

The metal fabricating group index increased by 0.7%, due in part to an increase of 0.4% in the metal stamping and pressing industry index and 0.6% for wire and wire products manufacturers.

The major groups which contributed most to the January to February 1979 increase also had the most effect over the February 1978 to February 1979 period. The 12-month percentage increases in these groups were 15.0% for food and beverage industries, 18.1% for primary metal industries, 16.7% for paper and allied industries, 17.0% for wood industries and 12.1% for metal fabricating industries.

For further information, contact the Information Unit, Industrial Prices (613-995-5738), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

(see table on next page)

New Motor Vehicle Sales, February 1979 — Advance Information

New motor vehicles sold in February totalled 99,071 units, up 2.8% from a year earlier. This included 62,535 passenger cars (up 8.2%) and 27,972 commercial vehicles (up 11.6%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S., and 7,948 passenger cars (down 37.0%) and 616 commercial vehicles (down 31.2%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value increased 20.7% to \$796.9 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$458.3 million (up 22.8%) and commercial vehicles for \$278.1 million (up 29.5%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas decreased 16.6% to \$56.3 million and those of commercial vehicles decreased 14.5% to \$4.2 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 224 units of coaches and buses valued at \$6.4 million.

Seasonally-adjusted February sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. increased 9.3% from January to 74,259 units and those of passenger cars from overseas decreased 12.9% to 10,647 units. Similarly-adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were up 9.1% to 32,966 units.

For the first two months of 1979, total sales reached 187,525 units (180,740 in 1978) with an accumulated value of \$1,471.9 million. This represented an increase of 19.1% in value over sales for January-February 1978.

For further information, order the February issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact M. Kwilecki (613-996-9304), Retail Trade Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing

(1971=100)

	Relative Im- portance(1)	Index			Percent Change		Percent Contribution to Total Change	
		Feb.* 1979	Jan.* 1979	Feb. 1978	Feb. '79/ Jan. '79	Feb. '79/ Feb. '78	Feb. '79/ Jan. '79	Feb. '79/ Feb. '78
Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing	100.0	205.7	203.2	182.8	1.2	12.5	100.0	100.0
SIC Major Groups:								
1. Food and Beverage Industries	19.9	227.5	220.2	195.2	2.0	15.0	34.7	25.4
2. Tobacco Products Industries	1.1	156.8	152.6	146.0	2.8	7.4	1.9	0.5
3. Rubber and Plastics Products Industries	2.5	163.7	162.2	153.3	0.9	6.8	1.6	1.2
4. Leather Industries	0.9	219.2	212.6	181.9	3.1	20.5	2.3	1.4
5. Textile Industries	3.5	169.4	168.8	155.6	0.4	8.9	0.9	2.1
6. Knitting Mills	0.9	147.7	146.6	136.6	0.7	8.2	0.4	0.4
8. Wood Industries	4.7	249.8	246.8	213.4	1.2	17.0	5.7	7.5
9. Furniture and Fixture Industries	1.6	191.6	191.2	178.5	0.2	7.4	0.3	0.9
10. Paper and Allied Industries	8.2	227.6	223.9	195.0	1.7	16.7	12.4	11.7
12. Primary Metal Industries	8.4	233.7	226.4	197.8	3.2	18.1	24.7	13.0
13. Metal Fabricating Industries	7.5	201.4	200.0	179.7	0.7	12.1	4.3	7.2
14. Machinery Industries	4.4	174.6	174.5	164.7	0.1	5.9	0.3	1.9
16. Electrical Products Industries	6.8	162.7	162.0	153.7	0.4	5.8	1.7	2.7
17. Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries	3.2	203.3	202.3	189.8	0.5	7.1	1.3	1.9
19. Chemical and Chemical Products Industries	6.6	199.6	198.8	184.3	0.4	8.3	2.0	4.4
Other Major Groups(2)	15.6	199.1	198.4	178.4	0.3	11.6	5.5	17.8

* These indexes are preliminary.

(1) Group weights are based on 1971 value of shipments (Census of Manufactures, 1971).

(2) Included are the following major groups: 7. Clothing Industries, 15. Transportation Equipment Industries, 18. Petroleum and Coal Products Industries, 20. Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, February 1979 — Advance Information

The trend noted in earlier months of a year-over-year reduction in the number of Canadians returning from international travel continued in February; and while United States visitors declined in February, the number of visitors from all countries in the first two months of the year rose moderately.

Preliminary statistics for February show that 1.3 million U.S. visitors entered Canada, down 3.3% from February 1978. Canadian residents returning from the U.S. numbered 2.0 million, a decrease of 11.8% from last year. Visitors entering Canada from countries other than the U.S. totalled 40,800, up 12.5%, while Canadian travellers returning from these countries decreased by 4.0% to 142,100.

On a year-to-date basis, 2.4 million U.S. visitors entered Canada, up 1.5% from January-February 1978, while the number of Canadian travellers returning from the U.S. decreased by 7.7% to 4.1 million. Visitors from other countries totalled 83,600, an increase of 9.3%, whereas Canadian residents returning from these countries numbered 333,400, down 1.3% from the same period last year.

Longer-term travellers from the U.S. (including overnight or longer auto and bus traffic and all plane, boat and train entries) were up 1.8% for the January-February period despite the drop (0.9%) in February. Canadians returning from the U.S. decreased by 3.9%,

due to a sharp decline of 8.2% in February. Tourists from other countries (excluding those arriving by land via the U.S. and entering and leaving on the same day) increased by 8.1%, following a significant rise of 10.1% in February, while Canadian long-term travellers returning from these countries showed a 1.3% drop as a result of a 4.0% decrease in February.

For further information, order the February issue of *International Travel — Advance Information* (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. Mike Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Salt, February 1979 — Advance Information

Energy, Mines and Resources reports that Canadian shipments of salt and salt content of brine increased to 710 559 metric tonnes in February 1979 from 694 268 metric tonnes a year earlier. This brought output for the first two months of 1979 to 1 428 346 metric tonnes from 1 368 989 metric tonnes in January-February 1978.

For further information, order the February issue of *Production of Canada's Leading Minerals* (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact John Brennan (613-995-9351), Mineral Policy Sector, Energy, Mines and Resources, Ottawa K1A 0E4.

Police Strength and Transport, Canada

1977 and 1978

	Full-time Personnel				Cadets and Other Personnel		Transport		
	Total Personnel		Police				Auto-mobiles	Motor-cycles	Other Motor Vehicles
	Actual Strength	Rate Per 1,000 Population*	Actual Strength	Rate Per 1,000 Population*	Actual Strength	Rate Per 1,000 Population*			
1977	65,037	2.8	52,303	2.3	12,734	0.5	13,312	817	1,293
1978	67,471	2.9	54,325	2.3	13,146	0.6	14,459	826	1,182
% change	3.7	3.6	3.9	—	3.2	20.0	8.6	1.1	-8.6

* Rates are based on Census population estimates for June 1, 1977, 1978.

Additional information can be obtained by contacting Project Manager (613-995-0855), Justice Statistics Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Airport Activity, August 1978 — Advance Information

Airport activity statistics for the top 50 airports in Canada are now available for the month of August 1978.

Total scheduled enplaned plus deplaned passenger statistics for Toronto International, Montreal (Dorval) International and Mirabel International are shown in the accompanying table.

The complete airport tables and further information may be obtained by contacting Mr. E. DiSanza (819-997-1986), Airport Activity Survey, Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Airport Activity,

August 1978

	Toronto International	Montreal International	Mirabel International
August 1978	1,051,441	497,579	142,736
August 1977	930,798	442,225	127,799
% change	13.0	12.5	11.7

Asbestos, February 1979 — Advance Information

Energy, Mines and Resources reports that producers' shipments of asbestos increased to 109 331 metric tonnes in February from a revised 97 285 metric tonnes in February 1978. This brought year-to-date shipments to 217 773 metric tonnes in 1979 from 183 924 (revised) in the 1978 period.

For further information, order the February issue of *Production of Canada's Leading Minerals* (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact John Brennan (613-995-9351), Mineral Policy Sector, Energy, Mines and Resources, Ottawa K1A 0E4.

Department Store Sales by Regions, February 1979

Department store sales totalled \$449.2 million in February, an increase of 4.6% from a year earlier. Sales were up in all regions of Canada except Alberta and British Columbia.

Department store sales by regions for the latest month, with percentage changes from February 1978 in brackets:

- Ontario, \$161.1 million (5.1%).
- Quebec, \$86.0 million (15.1%).
- British Columbia, \$76.6 million (-1.8%).
- Alberta, \$64.3 million (-0.4%).
- Atlantic Provinces, \$26.1 million (6.5%).
- Manitoba, \$23.2 million (0.1%).
- Saskatchewan, \$12.0 million (6.2%).

For further information, order the February issue of *Department Store Sales by Regions* (63-004, \$1.50 a year).

Selected Principal Statistics for Household Furniture Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2619		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	653	639	-2.1
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.			
Man-hours paid	000's	22,633	20,363	-10.0
Manufacturing wages	\$000	48,886	43,539	-10.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	202,099	194,553	-3.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	7,666	8,600	12.2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	372,812	357,105	-4.2
Value added	\$000	770,123	759,439	-1.4
Total Activity:		402,238	393,724	-2.1
Total employees	No.			
Total salaries and wages	\$000	26,457	23,901	-9.7
Total value added	\$000	254,357	247,238	-2.8
		403,375	393,494	-2.4

For further information, contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Household Furniture Manufacturers, 1977* (35-211, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Electric Lamp and Shade Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2680		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	60	54	-10.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.			
Man-hours paid	000's	1,407	1,199	-14.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	2,924	2,520	-13.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	9,923	9,420	-5.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	316	383	21.2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	23,082	20,563	-10.9
Value added	\$000	47,720	45,282	-5.1
Total Activity:		24,514	24,600	0.4
Total employees	No.			
Total salaries and wages	\$000	1,767	1,519	-14.0
Total value added	\$000	14,230	13,629	-4.2
		24,735	24,626	-0.4

For further information, contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Electric Lamp and Shade Manufacturers, 1977* (35-214, 70¢).

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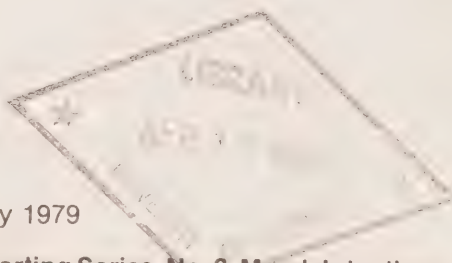
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- 21-001 (30¢/\$3) **Farm Cash Receipts**, January 1979
 - 22-002E (\$5.60 for series of 20) **Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 2, March Intentions of Principal Field Crop Area, Canada** — Available April 6, 1979 at 3 p.m.
 - 44-213 (70¢) **Stone Products Manufacturers**, 1977
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44-215 (70¢) Clay Products Manufacturers (from Domestic Clays), 1977**62-003 (15¢/\$1.50) Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products, November 1978****67-001 (\$1.05/\$4.20) Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments, Fourth Quarter 1978****95-857 (\$3) Provincial Census Tracts: Reference Maps, Western Provinces and the Territories, 1976 Census of Canada****96-872 (\$2.25) Agriculture: Evaluation of Data Quality, 1976 Census of Canada****Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, January 1979 — Advance Information**

Preliminary estimates show manufacturers' shipments in January 1979, seasonally adjusted, were valued at \$12,179.3 million, up 0.6% from the revised December 1978 level of \$12,102.4 million. Durable goods industries' shipments decreased 1.5% to \$5,577.5 million from \$5,660.2 million while non-durable goods shipments increased 2.5% to \$6,601.8 million from \$6,442.2 million.

New orders in all manufacturing industries, seasonally adjusted, decreased 1.3% to \$12,310.4 million in January 1979 from \$12,470.3 million (revised) in December 1978. New orders were down 5.6% in durable goods industries to \$5,644.1 million from \$5,978.7 million while in non-durable goods industries new orders increased 2.7% to \$6,666.3 million from \$6,491.6 million.

Unfilled orders in all manufacturing industries, seasonally adjusted, rose 1.0% in January 1979 to \$13,872.1 million from the revised \$13,741.0 million level of the preceding month.

Total inventory owned, seasonally adjusted, was estimated at \$21,030.7 million in January 1979, 1.4% higher than the revised December 1978 estimate of \$20,740.0 million. Total inventory held, seasonally adjusted, also rose 1.4% in January 1979 to \$21,990.5 million from \$21,693.8 million (revised), with increases of 1.9%, 1.4% and 0.7% in raw materials, goods in process and finished products, respectively.

The ratio of total inventory owned to shipments, seasonally adjusted, was 1.73:1 in January 1979, compared to 1.71:1 (revised) for December 1978. The finished products to shipments ratio was 0.58:1, the same as the revised December 1978 ratio.

Not adjusted for seasonal variation, manufacturers' shipments in January were estimated at \$11,520.3 million, an increase of 2.8% from the revised December 1978 value of \$11,209.9 million.

For further information, order the January issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Consolidated Government Finance, 1976 — Advance Information

Consolidated revenue for all levels of government in Canada for the fiscal year ending nearest to December 31, 1976 totalled \$75,749 million, an increase of \$9,458 million (14.3%) over 1975. Tax revenue of \$60,440 million showed an increase of \$7,255 million (13.6%) while non-tax revenue at \$15,310 million was up \$2,204 million (16.8%) over 1975.

Consolidated expenditure for all levels of government amounted to \$80,580 million for the fiscal year ending nearest to December 31, 1976, a rise of \$8,770 million or 12.2% over 1975. The largest expenditures were for social services at \$18,309 million (22.7% of the total), education at \$12,190 million (15.1%) and health at \$10,140 million (12.6%). In comparison, these functions comprised 18.4%, 18.6% and 10.5%, respectively, of total consolidated government expenditure for 1967.

For further information, contact Mr. G. Lyttle (613-995-9894), Research and Consolidation Section, Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Domestic Air Passenger Origin and Destination, Fourth Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

Domestic Air Passenger Origin and Destination data are now available for the fourth quarter of 1978.

For further information, contact Mrs. J.C. Tessier (819-997-1986), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Trusted Pension Funds, Fourth Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

Total assets of trusted pension funds in Canada (at book value) reached an estimated \$34.9 billion at December 31, 1978, an increase of \$5.2 billion over a year earlier.

For further information, order the 4th quarter issue of *Quarterly Estimates of Trusted Pension Funds* (74-001, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact Mr. Earl Hanes (613-995-6918), Pensions Section, Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries (Based on 1975 Census of Manufacturers Benchmarks)

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978r	Nov. 1978	Jan. 1978
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total				
Non-durable	11,520.3	11,209.9	12,307.6	8,949.5
Durable	6,220.7	6,093.8	6,521.6	4,912.8
New Orders: Total	5,299.6	5,116.1	5,786.0	4,036.7
Non-durable	11,884.5	11,540.1	12,475.7	9,453.6
Durable	6,287.2	6,126.0	6,548.2	4,918.6
Unfilled Orders: Total	5,597.3	5,414.1	5,927.5	4,535.0
Non-durable	13,874.1	13,509.9	13,179.7	10,602.8
Durable	1,847.0	1,780.5	1,748.3	1,346.5
Inventory Owned: Total	12,027.1	11,729.4	11,431.4	9,256.3
Inventory Held: Total	21,150.6	20,746.0	20,316.3	18,905.8
Raw materials	22,099.6	21,674.7	21,315.2	19,929.1
Goods in process	9,032.1	9,013.2	8,712.3	8,071.4
Finished Products	6,010.0	5,822.1	5,849.2	5,264.5
	7,057.5	6,839.4	6,753.7	6,593.3
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Shipments: Total				
Non-durable	12,179.3	12,102.4	11,804.8	9,622.8
Durable	6,601.8	6,442.2	6,321.2	5,306.1
New Orders: Total	5,577.5	5,660.2	5,483.6	4,316.7
Non-durable	12,310.4	12,470.3	11,977.4	9,858.0
Durable	6,666.3	6,491.6	6,372.9	5,298.4
Unfilled Orders: Total	5,644.1	5,978.7	5,604.5	4,559.6
Non-durable	13,872.1	13,741.0	13,373.1	10,490.4
Durable	1,889.0	1,824.5	1,775.1	1,362.9
Inventory Owned: Total	11,983.1	11,916.5	11,598.0	9,127.5
Inventory Held: Total	21,030.7	20,740.0	20,449.8	18,780.2
Raw materials	21,990.5	21,693.8	21,424.1	19,816.9
Goods in process	8,994.5	8,828.3	8,696.7	8,005.0
Finished products	5,964.8	5,880.5	5,793.8	5,240.6
	7,031.2	6,985.0	6,933.6	6,571.3
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	1.73	1.71	1.73	1.95
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.58	0.58	0.59	0.68

Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978r	Not Seasonally Adjusted			
			% change	Jan.-Dec. 1978r	Jan.-Dec. 1977	% change
	(\$ millions)			(\$ millions)		
Newfoundland	60.4	61.9	-2.5	786.1	692.3	13.5
Nova Scotia	244.5	245.5	-0.4	2,747.5	2,298.3	19.5
New Brunswick	248.8	254.6	-2.3	2,572.2	2,137.0	20.4
Quebec	2,988.7	3,030.0	-1.4	34,474.0	28,218.6	22.2
Ontario	5,780.2	5,435.2	6.3	64,326.8	55,438.3	16.0
Manitoba	289.6	292.9	-1.1	3,366.7	2,885.6	16.7
Saskatchewan	150.2	135.2	11.1	1,628.2	1,368.1	19.0
Alberta	633.2	634.0	-0.1	7,459.8	6,163.3	21.0
British Columbia	1,111.7	1,105.4	0.6	12,609.3	10,398.7	21.3
Canada*	11,520.3	11,209.9	2.8	130,161.2	109,747.0	18.6

*Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding.

Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

February 1979 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Feb. 1978	% Change	
				Feb. 79/ Jan. 79	Feb. 79/ Feb. 78
Total Index	203.5	202.6	185.9	0.4	9.5
Materials	193.4	191.8	172.1	0.8	12.4
Steel and Metal Work	210.9	208.4	174.2	1.2	21.1
Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning	176.8	175.5	159.6	0.7	10.8
Electrical Equipment	179.2	179.0	161.9	0.1	10.7
Concrete Products	209.1	208.7	199.2	0.2	5.0
Lumber and Lumber Products	248.3	245.1	207.4	1.3	19.7
Other	181.8	179.9	168.0	1.1	8.2
Labour	214.6	214.6	201.1	—	6.7

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G. John (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Union Wage Rate Indexes including selected pay supplements are now available for February 1979.

Travel Price Index

Item	Year							
	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978
Travel Price Index	100.0	104.8r	112.3r	127.5r	144.8r	157.5r	168.6r	179.6

r Revised data.

Revised Travel Price Index, 1978

The revised Travel Price Index (1971=100) rose to 179.6 in 1978, up 6.5% from 1977 (the Consumer Price Index increased 9% during the same period).

The Travel Price Index (TPI) has been produced during the past two years by the Travel, Tourism and Recreation Section of Statistics Canada based on items selected from the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and weighted from the 1971 Canadian Travel Survey. It should be noted that the index shown in the accompanying table differs from previous editions because of the acquisition of new data, resulting in a complete recalculation of all figures back to the base year. The general effect of the new input has been to shift the TPI down 2 or 3 points in the later years, thereby reducing the gap that has existed between the TPI and CPI.

For further information, see the April issue of the *Culture Statistics Service Bulletin* (87-001, \$1.40 a year), or contact Doug Higgins (613-995-9689), Travel, Tourism and Recreation Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z5.

Visual Artists Survey, 1978 (Preliminary) — Advance Information

A large majority of Canadian artists earned less than \$5,000 from art sales during the 12 months ended October 1978 and had to rely on other employment to supplement their income. Almost three-quarters of Canadian artists held either full- or part-time jobs in addition to their artistic pursuits; the teaching of art predominated as a field of employment. (These are some of the findings of a national survey of visual artists conducted in October 1978 by the Culture Division of Statistics Canada.)

For all artists, direct art sales provided an average of \$6,241; salaries and wages accounted for \$9,213 and grants, awards and prizes averaged \$2,143. Thus the average gross income for artists was \$17,597, but with only 35% coming from art sales.

Three types of artists emerged from this survey: those who were full-time wage-earners in addition to their artistic pursuits; full-time artists who earned significant amounts from their artwork, and part-time artists who had a relatively low income from art sales. There were notable disparities in the gross incomes of the three types of artists: full-time wage-earners averaged \$23,281; full-time artists, \$15,892, and part-time artists only \$4,330.

Further details will be contained in the forthcoming *Culture Statistics Service Bulletin*, Vol. 2, No. 3, *Preliminary Statistics on Visual Artists* (87-001). For further information contact Brenda Babcock (613-593-6862), Culture Subdivision, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural)

		1978		1979	
		Year-to-Date	February	Year-to-Date	February
		20	20	20	20
Carriers Reporting					
Passenger Revenue Earned					
Intercity & Rural Services	\$	19,424,405*r	9,645,828*r	17,188,230*	8,395,436*
Urban-Suburban Services	\$	63,118r	32,277r	62,608	31,382
Other Services (e.g. charter)	\$	6,427,926r	3,456,284r	6,536,408	3,565,525
Fare Passengers Carried					
Intercity & Rural Services	No.	5,060,755*r	2,586,230*r	4,354,889*	2,132,086*
Urban-Suburban Services	No.	123,828r	61,332r	92,506	44,156
Other Services (e.g. charter)	No.	**	**	**	**
Total Distance Run					
Intercity & Rural Services	miles:	17,803,763*r	9,034,207*r	15,294,760*	7,373,631*
	km:	28 652 379*r	14 539 147*r	24 614 530*	11 866 710*
Urban-Suburban Services	miles:	76,558r	37,216r	76,882	37,005
	km:	123 208r	59 893r	123 730	59 554
Other Services (e.g. charter)	miles:	5,769,812r	3,333,211r	4,919,049	2,675,656
	km:	9 285 613r	5 364 283r	7 916 439	4 306 049
Fuel Consumed					
Diesel Oil	gal.:	3,047,339r	1,584,873r	2,657,706	1,318,559
	L:	13 853 477r	7 204 975r	12 082 169	5 994 288
Gasoline	gal.:	672,060r	343,520r	709,151	354,944
	L:	3 055 245r	1 561 673r	3 223 863	1 613 607

* Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

** The number of fare passengers carried for "Other Services" is not kept by all carriers.

r Revised figures.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), February 1979 — (Published only in *Statistics Canada Daily*)

The accompanying table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available. Figures have been added showing total distance run and fuel consumed, using the International System of Units; this is the most modern version of the metric system, supported by the International Bureau of Weights and Measures and is the system of units which Canada is adopting.

The following observations apply to the data in this release:

- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of over-all charter and contract operations.
- Passenger paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and travelling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only.
- Total distance run in a revenue service includes distance run empty which was necessary to provide the revenue service.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-995-1976), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Urban Transit, February 1979 — Advance Information

In February, 58 urban transit systems collected 99,625,638 initial passenger fares. The total distance run was 30,775,587 miles (49 528 507 km) and operating revenues amounted to \$36,352,932.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-995-1976), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6 or order the February issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50).

Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, January 1979 — Advance Information

Advance information on canned and frozen fruits and vegetables for the month of January 1979 is now available.

For further information, order the January issue of *Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Pen and Pencil Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3996		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	18	16	-11.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	654	626	-4.3
Man-hours paid	000's	1,357	1,304	-4.0
Manufacturing wages	\$000	5,440	5,707	4.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	387	365	-5.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	15,667	15,864	1.3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	35,879	36,943	3.0
Value added	\$000	20,646	21,396	3.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	964	897	-7.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	10,342	10,535	1.9
Total value added	\$000	26,405	29,547	11.9

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries, 1977* (47-205, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Major Appliances

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3320		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	32	28	-12.5
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	8,813	7,969	-9.6
Man-hours paid	000's	18,024	16,430	-8.9
Manufacturing wages	\$000	93,979	94,372	0.4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	6,392	7,493	17.2
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	316,747	337,530	6.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	546,775	576,407	5.4
Value added	\$000	241,919	225,524	-6.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	11,888	11,170	-6.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	137,978	142,916	3.6
Total value added	\$000	291,987	259,979	-11.0

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Major Appliances, 1977* (43-204, 70¢).

Potato Planting Intentions, 1979

Intended 1979 planting area data for potatoes will be released at 3:00 p.m. today. Figures will be available for each province and are based on a mid-March survey. Results will be published in the *Field Crop Reporting Series* (22-002E, \$5.60 for the series).

For further information, contact Larry Murphy (613-995-4877), Horticultural Crops Unit, Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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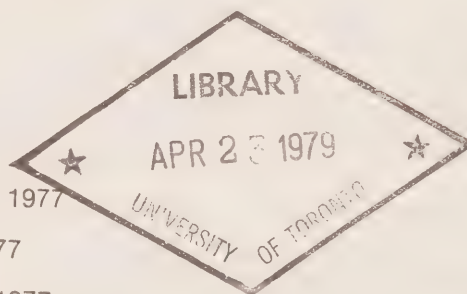
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Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Toilet Preparations

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3770		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	64	64	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	3,609	3,335	-8
Man-hours paid	000's	7,519	7,046	-6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	30,941	31,802	3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,610	1,871	16
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	108,087	106,480	-1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	311,631	337,036	8
Value added	\$000	202,576	231,472	14
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	6,575	6,404	-3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	71,596	77,118	8
Total value added	\$000	227,078	262,647	16

For further information, contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Toilet Preparations, 1977* (46-215, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Structural Concrete Products

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3542		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	42	37	-12
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,210	1,847	-16
Man-hours paid	000's	4,650	3,891	-16
Manufacturing wages	\$000	29,270	27,975	-4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,158	2,030	-6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	44,690	38,722	-13
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	114,981	108,989	-5
Value added	\$000	72,481	68,383	-6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,819	2,397	-15
Total salaries and wages	\$000	38,952	37,785	-3
Total value added	\$000	72,547	68,104	-6

For further information, contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Concrete Products Manufacturers, 1977* (44-205, 70¢).

Traveller Accommodation, 1977 — Advance Information

Total receipts reported by 17,378 traveller accommodation businesses in Canada for 1977 amounted to \$3,294.2 million. Included in the total were hotels which numbered 5,293 with reported receipts of \$2,681.1 million, and motels (4,168) with receipts of \$387.3 million. The remaining \$225.8 million in receipts was accounted for by 7,917 other types of traveller accommodation firms (tourist homes, tourist courts and cabins, outfitters and tent and trailer campgrounds).

For further information, order the 1977 edition of *Traveller Accommodation Statistics* (63-204, \$1.05), or contact Mrs. R. Bennett (613-996-9301), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Iron Ore, February 1979 — Advance Information

Energy, Mines and Resources reports that Canadian mines shipped 1 606 671 metric tonnes of iron ore in February 1979, up from 1 341 845 metric tonnes a year earlier. This brought January-February output to 3 904 483 metric tonnes in 1979 from 3 212 225 metric tonnes in 1978.

For further information, order the February issue of *Production of Canada's Leading Minerals* (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact John Brennan (613-995-9351), Mineral Policy Sector, Energy, Mines and Resources, Ottawa K1A 0E4.

Selected Principal Statistics for Concrete Products Manufacturers (n.e.s.)

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3549		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	291	281	-3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.			
Man-hours paid	000's	4,253	4,052	-5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	9,086	8,808	-3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	51,232	53,257	4
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	7,993	8,531	7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	87,606	86,806	-1
Value added	\$000	223,515	218,173	-2
Total Activity:		130,136	125,567	-4
Total employees	No.			
Total salaries and wages	\$000	5,320	5,124	-4
Total value added	\$000	68,281	72,142	6
		136,073	129,165	-5

For further information, contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Concrete Products Manufacturers, 1977* (44-205, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Concrete Pipe Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3541		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	80	69	-14
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.			
Man-hours paid	000's	2,032	1,855	-9
Manufacturing wages	\$000	4,269	4,043	-5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	23,904	25,775	8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	3,245	3,983	23
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	50,457	56,923	13
Value added	\$000	126,637	133,787	6
Total Activity:		72,050	73,764	2
Total employees	No.			
Total salaries and wages	\$000	2,634	2,480	-6
Total value added	\$000	32,966	36,290	10
		73,468	76,215	4

For further information, contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Concrete Products Manufacturers, 1977* (44-205, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Paper and Plastic Bags Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2733		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	95	93	-2.1
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.			
Man-hours paid	000's	5,025	4,741	-5.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	10,463	10,014	-4.3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	53,518	55,077	2.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	3,753	4,127	10.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	242,893	239,451	-1.4
Value added	\$000	381,294	377,792	-0.9
Total Activity:		138,338	135,259	-2.2
Total employees	No.			
Total salaries and wages	\$000	6,780	6,358	-6.2
Total value added	\$000	80,911	83,219	2.8
		149,289	138,302	-7.4

For further information, contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Paper and Plastic Bags Manufacturers, 1977* (36-207, 70¢).

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- 42-212 (70¢) **Miscellaneous Vehicle Manufacturers**, 1977
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Farm Cash Receipts, January-February 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates indicate that during the January to February period of 1979 farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland totalled \$2,255.0 million compared to the \$2,048.0 million realized during the same period of 1978. These estimates include: cash receipts from the sale of farm products; Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous years' grain crops; cash advances on farm-stored grains in Western Canada; and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No deduction is made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

For further information, order the February issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Peter Lys (613-995-4895), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Total Cash Receipts from Farming Operations

January-February
(millions of dollars)

	1978	1979
Prince Edward Island	16.5	22.0
Nova Scotia	20.9	25.1
New Brunswick	16.5	22.3
Quebec	210.9	268.8
Ontario	495.4	574.9
Manitoba	169.5	186.6
Saskatchewan	602.0	578.7
Alberta	445.0	496.4
British Columbia	71.3	80.2
Canada	2,048.0	2,255.0

Railway Freight Traffic, Third and Fourth Quarter 1978 (Published Only in the *Daily*)

Railways operating in Canada hauled a total of 70.8 million short tons (64.3 million t) of revenue freight in the July-September 1978 period, a decrease of 0.9% from the corresponding 1977 quarter.

In the October-December 1978 period, revenue freight traffic totalled 70.5 million short tons (64.0 million t), an increase of 5.5% from the fourth quarter of 1977.

For further information, contact M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Feed Price Indexes, February 1979 — Advance Information

Feed price indexes, Canada and five geographical regions, are now available for February 1979.

For further information, contact the Information Unit (613-995-5738), Industrial Prices Section, Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Telephone Statistics, February 1979 — Advance Information

Canada's 13 major telephone systems reported revenues of \$393.8 million in February, up 20.3% from a year earlier. Operating expenses rose 16.5% to \$263.9 million. Net operating revenue at \$129.9 million showed an increase of 28.9% over February 1978. Telephone toll messages increased 11.6% to 86.4 million.

For further information, order the February issue of *Telephone Statistics* (56-002, \$1.50 a year), or contact Ralph Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Industrial Chemicals, February 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 121,479,000 lbs. (55 102 metric tonnes) of polyethylene-type synthetic resins in February, up from 75,956,000 lbs. (34 453 tonnes) in February 1978.

For further information, order the February issue of *Specified Chemicals* (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes, February 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 7,169,985 phonograph records in February, up from 6,587,706 in February 1978. Production of pre-recorded tapes (8-track cartridges and cassettes only) increased to 1,505,095 from 1,188,800.

For further information, order the February issue of *Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada* (47-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Rod Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Fur Dressing and Dyeing Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3998		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	16	15	-6.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.			
Man-hours paid	000's	1,462	1,161	-20.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	2,833	2,257	-20.3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	8,873	8,220	-7.4
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000 }	5,894	8,129	37.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000 }			
Value added	\$000	17,609	18,801	6.8
Total Activity:	\$000	11,715	10,672	-8.9
Total employees	No.	—	—	—
Total salaries and wages	\$000	—	—	—
Total value added	\$000	—	—	—

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries, 1977* (47-205, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Metal Stamping, Pressing and Coating Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 304		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	128	713	-2.1
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.			
Man-hours paid	000's	25,131	24,278	-3.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	53,030	51,465	-3.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	286,452	300,607	4.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	19,616	22,338	13.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	952,129	1,084,576	13.9
Value added	\$000	1,718,122	1,943,617	13.1
Total Activity:	\$000	780,736	845,113	8.2
Total employees	No.	31,487	30,710	-2.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	391,940	417,100	6.4
Total value added	\$000	807,963	872,061	7.9

For further information, contact J.B. Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Metal Stamping, Pressing and Coating Industry, 1977* (41-227, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Truck Body and Trailer Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 324		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	291	262	-10.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.			
Man-hours paid	000's	12,950	11,498	-11.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	27,140	23,435	-13.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	137,103	133,256	-2.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	5,355	5,716	6.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	459,961	438,544	-4.7
Value added	\$000	749,103	712,692	-4.9
Total Activity:	\$000	292,013	271,874	-6.9
Total employees	No.	16,179	14,633	-9.6
Total salaries and wages	\$000	183,906	182,474	-0.8
Total value added	\$000	305,976	289,871	-5.3

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Truck Body and Trailer Manufacturers, 1977* (42-217, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Pulp and Paper Mills

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2710		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	147	145	-1.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	66,946	64,930	-3.0
Man-hours paid	000's	139,464	135,108	-3.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	1,033,475	1,130,432	9.4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	546,273	667,543	22.2
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	2,732,640	2,910,869	6.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	5,992,723	6,636,533	10.7
Value added	\$000	2,845,278	3,056,481	7.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	86,995	84,533	-2.9
Total salaries and wages	\$000	1,415,844	1,541,354	8.9
Total value added	\$000	2,876,446	3,069,757	6.7

For further information, contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Pulp and Paper Mills, 1977* (36-204, 70¢).

Steel Ingots, Week Ended April 7, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended April 7 was 336,974 short tons (305 698 t), an increase of 4.0% from the preceding week's total of 323,936 short tons (293 870 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 310,338 short tons (281 534 t).

The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 183.9 in the current week, 176.8 a week earlier and 169.4 a year earlier.

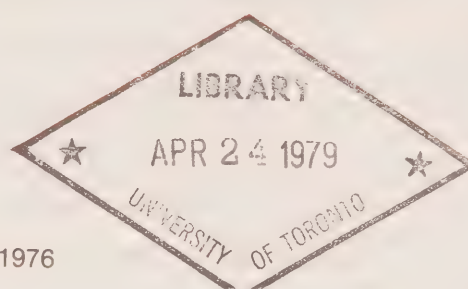
For further information, contact Brian Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Canada's Elderly (catalogue 98-800E, \$1.25 in Canada, \$1.50 in other countries) is the first of a unique series based on the 1976 Census and other relevant Statistics Canada data. This publication is produced in a popular journalistic style, with art work, captions, simple graphs and summary tables for easy and attractive reading.

Canada's Elderly highlights some of the following facts about our aging population: declining fertility trends mainly account for the growing proportion of elderly; most of the elderly live in family settings but many elderly women live alone; almost half of all persons living in collective dwellings are elderly; Prince Edward Island has the highest proportion of elderly to its population; it is estimated that by 2001 the proportion of elderly may reach between 11% and 13%. A more detailed appraisal of these and many other interesting facts about our senior citizens appears on page 2 of today's *Daily*.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

62-001 (30¢/\$3) **Consumer Price Index**, March 1979 — Available Thursday, April 12, 1979, at 7 a.m.

33-203 (70¢) **Shoe Factories and Boot and Shoe Findings Manufacturers**, 1977
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43-002 (15¢/\$1.50) Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, February 1979

64-001 (70¢/\$7) Building Permits, December 1978

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Canada's Elderly

Prince Edward Island has the highest proportion of elderly in the country, with 11.2% of its population aged 65 or over. Following closely are Saskatchewan, with 11.1%; Manitoba, 10.4%; British Columbia, 9.8%; and Nova Scotia, 9.7%. The lowest proportions are found in the Northwest Territories, 2.7%, and the Yukon, 2.9%.

This picture emerges in a Statistics Canada census study, *Canada's Elderly*, released today.

In terms of over-all numbers, however, most Canadians of 65 or more live in the three largest provinces: almost three-quarters of the elderly live in Ontario, Quebec and British Columbia. Ontario alone has over a third of the elderly population. In contrast, Prince Edward Island has less than 1%.

Among the other findings of the study, based on the 1976 Census, are these:

- Over seven out of 10 elderly men are married and living with their wives, while not quite four out of every 10 women are married and living with their husbands. Almost every other woman 65 or over is a widow.
- Before 1961, there were always more men than women in the 65+ category. In 1976 however, there were only 777 males to every 1,000 females.
- Between 1961 and 1971, the female population 65+ increased annually by 3.4% compared with an increase of 1.6% for their male counterparts. This trend is continuing, but the difference in the rate of increase for males and females narrowed between 1971 and 1976 — a 3.4% annual increase for females compared to a 2.4% increase for males.
- Contrary to popular belief, only 8.7% of the elderly in 1976 lived in collective housing.
- Although most of the elderly live with their families, 70% of those elderly persons living alone (or with unrelated persons) are women; only 30% of the elderly unattached individuals are men.
- The average income of families with a head aged 65 or over is slightly less than two-thirds of the average income of all families.
- The proportion of the elderly in the labour force has been steadily declining for the past 50 years. In 1921, 33% of Canada's elderly were in the labour force. By 1976 this percentage had declined to 12.2% with a total of 244,970 elderly in the labour force. Of that number 68.5% were men and 31.5% women.
- The major causes of death among the 65+ are: coronary heart diseases, which are slightly more common in the men but also claim about a third of both sexes; strokes, which are slightly more frequent in the women; and cancers of various types. Cancer of the digestive organs is more frequent among the females, while lung cancer is more frequent among the men.

- Over half of the elderly in 1976 had completed elementary education, about a third had attended high school, 4.5% had some university education and 2.6% had a university degree.
- Life expectancy over the past four decades has increased steadily for both sexes. In 1971 life expectancy at birth for males was almost 70 years and for females it was 77 years. At 65, the average man can expect to live another 13.7 years, while the average woman can look forward to an additional 17.5 years.
- The proportion of the elderly is increasing. In 1901 only five people in every 100 were 65+. By 1976 this proportion had increased to almost nine per 100 population.
- By the year 2031, it is estimated that between 11 and 13 Canadians out of every 100 will be 65 and over. And their absolute numbers will increase by one and a half times. By the year 2031, in the absence of reversal of fertility trends, almost 20% of the population may be 65 years of age and over.

Canada's Elderly is the first of a series of popular studies to supplement 1976 Census statistical reports. The publication (catalogue 98-800E, \$1.25 in Canada) is available from Statistics Canada regional offices, authorized government agents or other booksellers. Copies may also be ordered by mail from Publications Distribution, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6; or Canadian Government Publishing Centre, Hull K1A 0S9. For further information, contact Dr. A. Romaniuc (613-995-4484), Director, Census Demography Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

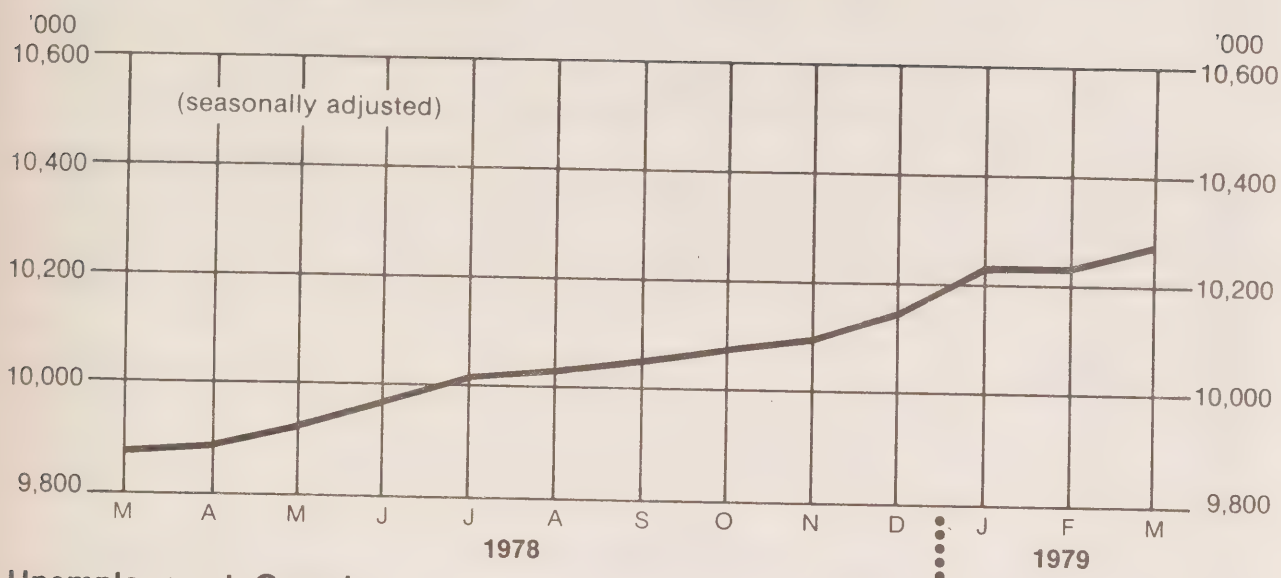
The Labour Force, March 1979

Employment showed a sizeable increase in March while unemployment increased marginally, but Canada's seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate remained at 7.9%, unchanged from February. The seasonally-adjusted participation rate increased to 63.3% in March from 63.2% in the preceding month. The employment/population ratio moved up to 58.4% from 58.2% in February.

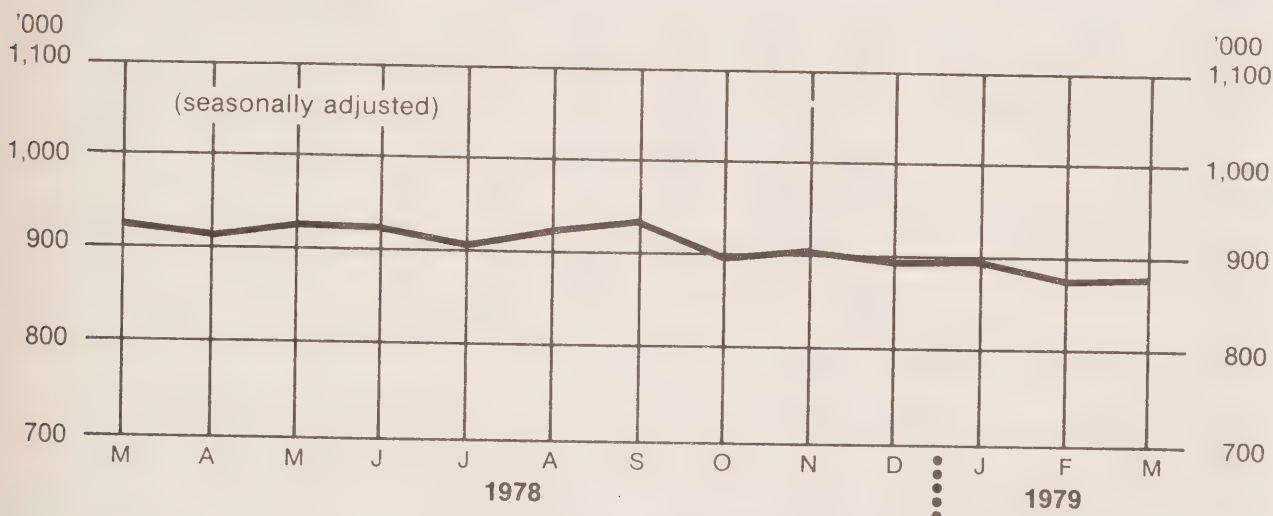
Last month, the seasonally-adjusted employment level at 10,271,000 was up by 38,000 from the month before. The level increased by 19,000 for men 25 and over, by 6,000 for women 25 and over and by 16,000 for women 15 to 24. For men 15-24 the level declined by 3,000.

Unemployment, seasonally adjusted, totalled 876,000, up by 4,000 from February. The level increased by 4,000 for women 25 and over, while it (continued)

Employment, Canada



Unemployment, Canada



declined by 3,000 for women 15 to 24. For men of both age groups, there was little change.

Seasonally-adjusted unemployment rates for the provinces, with February rates in brackets: Newfoundland 17.6% (17.1%); Prince Edward Island 12.2% (10.8%); Nova Scotia 11.0% (10.5%); New Brunswick 12.1% (11.6%); Quebec 10.6% (10.2%); Ontario 6.7% (6.6%); Manitoba 5.2% (5.6%); Saskatchewan 4.2% (4.7%); Alberta 3.7% (4.3%); and British Columbia 8.0% (8.5%).

Without seasonal adjustment, the March labour force was 10,932,000 with 9,956,000 employed and 976,000 unemployed for an unemployment rate of 8.9%. In February, the labour force was 10,812,000 with

9,857,000 employed and 954,000 unemployed for a rate of 8.8%. In March 1978, the labour force numbered 10,593,000 with 9,562,000 employed and 1,031,000 unemployed for a rate of 9.7%.

For further information, order the March issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

Canadian Direct Investment Abroad by Industry and Location

Year-ends 1972-1976

Industry	1972	1973	1974r	1975r	1976	1972	1973	1974r	1975r	1976
(\$ millions)										
	Located in United States					Located in United Kingdom				
Manufacturing:										
Beverages	794	744	728	817	797	135	181	198	236	237
Non-ferrous metals	400	431	757	888	886	193	199	210	199	209
Wood and paper products	523	557	621	676	756	64	93	105	135	122
Iron and products	192	188	254	300	332	109	117	137	161	171
Chemical and allied products	60	87	130	179	247	3	4	5	7	3
Other manufacturing	124	126	168	198	200	14	15	14	14	11
Sub-total	2,093	2,133	2,658	3,058	3,218	518	609	669	752	753
Merchandising	125	180	179	197	182	33	57	43	38	37
Mining and smelting	67	222	345	418	521	4	1	—	1	1
Petroleum and natural gas	556	722	831	1,003	1,073	25	33	59	97	110
Utilities	404	427	436	437	483	17	14	26	24	33
Financial	119	132	229	299	381	16	69	71	90	86
Other	67	108	139	155	194	17	14	11	17	13
Total	3,431	3,924	4,817	5,567	6,052	630	797	879	1,019	1,033
	Located in All Other Countries					Located in All Countries				
Manufacturing:										
Beverages	92	139	195	226	240	1,021	1,064	1,121	1,279	1,274
Non-ferrous metals	378	401	429	478	543	971	1,031	1,396	1,565	1,638
Wood and paper products	64	77	98	123	132	651	727	824	934	1,010
Iron and products	393	466	518	608	579	694	771	909	1,069	1,082
Chemical and allied products	48	62	68	47	50	111	153	203	233	300
Other manufacturing	45	32	52	63	55	183	173	234	275	266
Sub-total	1,020	1,177	1,360	1,545	1,599	3,631	3,919	4,687	5,355	5,570
Merchandising	122	139	156	190	196	280	376	378	425	415
Mining and smelting	333	398	453	533	683	404	621	798	952	1,205
Petroleum and natural gas	53	108	121	185	224	634	863	1,011	1,285	1,407
Utilities	762	826	944	1,025	1,075	1,183	1,267	1,406	1,486	1,591
Financial	258	329	375	396	507	393	530	675	785	974
Other	97	112	110	101	91	181	234	260	273	298
Total	2,645	3,089	3,519	3,975	4,375	6,706	7,810	9,215	10,561	11,460

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Canadian Direct Investment Abroad, 1976 — Advance Information

Canadian direct investment abroad increased by \$899 million or 9% to \$11,460 million at the end of 1976. Net direct investment capital outflows abroad as recorded in the balance of payments accounted for some \$605 million of the growth, a decrease of about one-third from the outflow recorded in 1975. Retained earnings and other factors, such as revaluations, exchange rate fluctuations, the difference between transaction values and the underlying book values of investments, etc., accounted for the balance of the increase.

Developed countries with \$8,714 million accounted for 76% of total direct investment abroad at the end of 1976. At \$6,052 million, direct investment in the United States represented 53% of the total. Whereas there was only a marginal increase during the year to \$1,033 million investment in the United Kingdom, investment in the European Economic Community countries (excluding the United Kingdom) grew by 12% to \$710 million. Other prominent recipient countries in the developed world were Australia, the Republic of South Africa, Switzerland, Japan and Norway.

Direct investment in the developing countries represented 24% of the total. Investment in South and Central America expanded by 11% to \$1,370 million. The largest portion of that increase occurred in Brazil,

where direct investment increased by \$83 million to \$1,157 million to remain the second largest recipient country. Other prominent host countries for Canadian direct investment in the developing world were Bermuda, Bahamas and Jamaica in the Caribbean and Indonesia in the Asian region.

Canadian direct investment in manufacturing, which accounted for about one-half of all direct investment abroad, grew by 4% to \$5,570 million at 1976 year-end. Such investment was concentrated in the non-ferrous metals and beverages sectors with \$1,638 million and \$1,274 million, respectively.

After manufacturing, investment in utilities was next largest, at \$1,591 million, comprising 14% of total direct investment. Over two-thirds of the investment in utilities was located in countries other than the United States and the United Kingdom. Canadian investment in mining and smelting and in the financial industry rose sharply by 27% and 24% to \$1,205 million and \$974 million, respectively. Investment in petroleum and natural gas grew more moderately by 10% to \$1,407 million.

For further information, contact P. Massad (613-996-2545), Balance of Payments Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z8.
(see table on next page)

Canadian Direct Investment Abroad by Location of Investment Year-Ends 1972-1976

Location	1972	1973	1974r	1975r	1976
(\$ millions)					
North America and Caribbean:					
United States	3,431	3,924	4,817	5,567	6,052
Mexico	46	54	62	75	68
Bahamas	160	178	181	142	135
Bermuda	258	351	424	462	439
Jamaica	110	114	105	118	102
Trinidad & Tobago	}	75	}	18	24
Other					
Sub-total	4,080	4,723	5,706	6,496	6,948
South and Central America:					
Venezuela	16	13	16	19	25
Argentina	}	792	}	33	46
Brazil					
Other					
Sub-total	808	917	1,075	1,234	1,370
Europe:					
United Kingdom	630	797	879	1,019	1,033
European Economic Community* (excluding the U.K.):					
Belgium & Luxembourg	31	33	37	36	52
France	88	116	169	215	217
Italy	44	36	37	36	49
Netherlands	40	41	43	72	110
West Germany	101	108	125	159	151
Sub-total	304	433	514	636	710
Denmark	x	24	40	54	60
Ireland	51	75	63	64	71
Sub-total	..	433	514	636	710
Switzerland	50	65	86	88	107
Norway	}	144	}	59	60
Spain					
Other					
Sub-total	1,179	1,429	1,619	1,866	2,033
Africa:					
Republic of South Africa	106	105	109	119	126
Other	6	20	32	38	52
Sub-total	112	125	141	157	178
Asia:					
Japan	71	72	77	74	67
Indonesia	}	87	162	}	98
Other					
Sub-total	158	195	239	317	419
Australasia:					
Australia	338	385	398	439	478
Other	31	36	37	32	34
Sub-total	369	421	435	471	512
Total	6,706	7,810	9,215	10,561	11,460
Developed Countries	5,130	5,919	7,020	8,079	8,714
Developing Countries	1,576	1,891	2,195	2,482	2,746

* Effective January 1, 1973, Denmark, Ireland and the United Kingdom became members of the European Economic Community.

x Confidential to meet secrecy requirements of the Statistics Act; included with "other" Europe.

... Not applicable.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Wooden Kitchen Cabinets Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2544		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	219	212	-3.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	3,524	3,467	-1.6
Man-hours paid	000's	7,324	7,254	-1.0
Manufacturing wages	\$000	36,731	38,969	6.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,601	1,737	8.5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	62,497	65,586	4.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	140,264	151,876	8.3
Value added	\$000	77,235	85,788	11.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	4,331	4,305	-1.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	49,938	53,071	6.3
Total value added	\$000	77,559	87,559	12.9

For further information, contact Patrick Martin (613-992-5140), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Sash, Door and Other Millwork Plants, 1977* (35-205, \$1.05).

Retail Trade, February 1979 — Advance Information

Seasonally-adjusted retail sales for February were \$6,248.2 million, an increase of 3.2% from the \$6,053.2 million recorded in January. The biggest increases were posted by all other food stores (12.9%), jewellery stores (11.3%) and specialty shoe stores (10.3%). The largest decreases were for general merchandise stores (-13.6%) and grocery, confectionery and sundries stores (-4.6%). All provinces except Prince Edward Island (-1.3%) showed increased sales, ranging from 6.6% for Quebec to 1.4% for British Columbia.

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment reached \$5,056.8 million, an increase of 12.7% over February 1978. Sales rose in 25 of the 28 trade groups with the largest gains reported by automotive parts and accessories stores (22.8%), used car dealers (18.6%) and jewellery stores (18.6%). The only decreases were in general merchandise stores (-11.5%) and sporting goods and accessories stores (-1.3%). All provinces reported increased sales over February 1978, ranging from 19.6% for Saskatchewan to 8.8% for both Ontario and British Columbia. Montreal sales rose 13.5%; Toronto, 12.4%; Winnipeg, 6.2%; and Vancouver, 11.8%.

Revised total retail trade, unadjusted for seasonal influences, for January 1979 was \$5,007.2 million, up 14.3% from January 1978.

For further information, order the February issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics, Fourth Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

After-tax profits of industrial corporations, not seasonally adjusted, were \$4,250 million for the fourth quarter of 1978, an increase of \$1,200 million or 39.3% from the fourth quarter of 1977.

Total sales of \$91 billion increased \$11 billion or 13.8% from the fourth quarter of 1977.

Assets increased \$10 billion or 4.4% over the third quarter of 1978 and were up \$24 billion or 11.3% from the fourth quarter of 1977.

The figures above represent the latest data for the fourth quarter of 1978 and supersede preliminary estimates for the same period released in February 1979. The data are also available on CANSIM. For further information, order the fourth quarter issue of *Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics* (61-003, \$1.75/\$7), or contact Mr. R. Martelock (613-995-9751), Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Particle Board, February 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian firms produced 26,828,000 square feet (39 567 m³) 5/8" basis of Type I particle board (waferboard) in February, an increase of 13% from 23,733,000 square feet (35 002 m³) a year earlier. Production of Type II particle board reached 37,230,000 square feet (54 908 m³) 5/8" basis, up 15% from 32,466,000 square feet (47 882 m³) in February 1978.

For further information, order the February issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact C. Sturton (613-992-5140), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Sugar Sales, March 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian sugar refineries reported total sales of 94 551 390 kilograms (208,450,170 lbs.) of all types of sugar for March 1979. Domestic sales totalled 83 912 628 kilograms (184,995,710 lbs.) and export sales amounted to 10 638 762 kilograms (23,454,460 lbs.).

For further information, contact T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

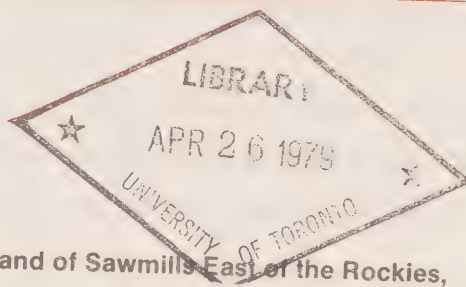
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Canadian Households and Families

Released today is the Census analytical study, *Canadian Households and Families*, by Sylvia T. Wargon (catalogue 99-753E, \$2.10).

The study examines at the Canada level some major features of the most recent patterns of change in the formation and demographic composition of households and families. Chapter 1 discusses the broad questions to which the study addresses itself, explains the census concepts underlying the statistics used, and summarizes the main conclusions and some of the social implications of the research results. Chapter 2 examines some major features of recent general changes in Canadian population, households and families. Recent trends in the formation, composition and characteristics of household and family heads and their members are treated in Chapters 3 (households) and 4 (families). The concluding chapter outlines the major findings in terms of their importance for the role of the family in Canada, and indicates avenues of further investigation.

Financial Flows

Additional advance information on the fourth quarter of 1978, for selected sectors, is now available from the Financial Flows Section.

For further information, contact P. Odenbach Sutton (613-995-0851), Financial Flows Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

32-011 (30¢/\$3) Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, January 1979

35-006 (35¢/\$1.40) Quarterly Shipments of Office Furniture Products, Quarter Ended December 31, 1978

36-002 (15¢/\$1.50) Rigid Insulating Board, February 1979

42-203 (70¢) Aircraft and Aircraft Parts Manufacturers, 1977

43-001 (15¢/\$1.50) Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, February 1979

43-208 (70¢) Battery Manufacturers, 1977

44-001 (15¢/\$1.50) Cement, February 1979

44-209 (70¢) Lime Manufacturers, 1977

52-001 (30¢/\$3) Railway Carloadings, February 1979

63-011 (15¢/\$1.50) Restaurant Statistics, February 1979

New Publication:

99-753E (\$2.10) Canadian Households and Families by Sylvia T. Wargon

Service Bulletin:

64-003 (\$1.40 per year) Construction Statistics — Vol. 2, No. 2, Quarterly Investment in Housing, 1978

Help-wanted Index, First Quarter 1979 (Published only in the *Daily* and *Infomat*)

In the first quarter of 1979 the seasonally-adjusted help-wanted index (1969=100) at 179 declined by 4% from the previous quarter. The index rose in Ontario by 6% but dropped in all other regions with declines ranging from 3% to 12%.

Compared with the first quarter of 1978, the over-all index was up by 13%. Increases were recorded for all regions except Quebec where a 9% drop was reported.

For further information, contact George Fincham (613-995-8445), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

(see table on next page)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, January 1979 — Advance Information

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies increased in January to 543,376,000 feet board measure (1 282 224 m³) from a revised 442,661,000 feet board measure (1 044 564 m³) in January 1978. Stocks on hand at the end of January 1979 totalled 651,898,000 feet board measure (1 538 308 m³).

For further information, order the January issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Patrick Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber, February 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian production of rubber increased to 50,993,000 pounds (23 130 000 kg) in February 1979 from 42,088,000 pounds (19 090 000 kg) in February 1978. Consumption* of rubber in February 1979 was 61,096,000 pounds (27 714 000 kg).

* Users of these data should note that there has been a change in methodology, commencing with January 1979 statistics.

For further information, order the February issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Rod Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, April 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of frozen poultry products at April 1 amounted to 66.2 million pounds compared with last year's corresponding total of 59.5 million pounds.

For further information, order the April issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Help-wanted Index, Canada and Regions, 1972 to 1979Seasonally Adjusted
(1969=100)

Year	QI	QII	QIII	QIV	Annual Average	QI	QII	QIII	QIV	Annual Average
Canada						Atlantic Provinces				
1972	106	111	118	125	115	85	96	102	132	104
1973	130	137	157	171	148	121	124	139	165	137
1974	191	208	212	183	199	216	228	237	265	236
1975	160	165	169	160	163	213	215	253	162	211
1976	167	149	156	155	157	130	131	154	131	136
1977	157	150	150	152	152	168	166	133	136	151
1978	159	154	161	187	165	127	132	129	167	139
1979	179					152				
Quebec						Ontario				
1972	109	112	117	116	114	105	111	122	128	117
1973	128	125	152	156	140	132	138	159	165	149
1974	180	213	214	205	203	175	181	182	143	170
1975	179	194	221	207	200	121	118	115	108	115
1976	207	187	194	190	195	115	99	105	103	106
1977	189	181	187	197	189	108	103	101	102	104
1978	211	190	200	219	205	102	105	108	137	113
1979	193					145				
Prairie Provinces						British Columbia				
1972	108	115	122	139	121	104	106	118	122	113
1973	129	143	155	197	156	133	159	175	199	167
1974	217	235	253	216	230	226	234	243	181	221
1975	193	211	188	193	196	155	153	149	150	152
1976	209	199	214	226	212	165	138	142	148	148
1977	207	195	200	189	198	149	144	148	144	147
1978	208	206	229	266	227	135	144	148	161	147
1979	258					153				

Selected Principal Statistics for Shipbuilding and Repair

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3270		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	59	58	-1.7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.			
Man-hours paid	000's	13,379	12,579	-6.0
Manufacturing wages	\$000	28,203	26,237	-7.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	189,329	196,869	4.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	6,609	7,198	8.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	252,194	258,678	2.6
Value added	\$000	571,077	613,589	7.4
Total Activity:	\$000	312,273	347,714	11.3
Total employees	No.			
Total salaries and wages	\$000	15,473	14,598	-5.7
Total value added	\$000	222,891	231,813	4.0
	\$000	314,500	349,653	11.2

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Shipbuilding and Repair, 1977* (42-206, 70¢).

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Checkstand Sacks by Canadian Manufacturers

	Eastern Canada		Western Canada		Canada Total	
	February 1978	February 1979	February 1978	February 1979	February 1978	February 1979
(thousands of bags)						
Standard Grocery Bags						
Size						
1/4 and 1/2	2,158	2,296	1,799	1,867	3,957	4,163
1 }					3,785	3,976
2 }	7,898	8,653	3,425	4,070	7,538	8,747
3 and 4	11,938	9,726	3,965	6,939	15,903	16,665
5	23,563	26,094	4,942	6,255	28,505	32,349
6	4,656	4,151	3,430	5,792	8,086	9,943
7 }					4,422	3,574
8 }	12,201	12,301	5,814	14,225	13,593	22,952
10	17,540	15,834	4,118	5,890	21,658	21,724
12	5,255	3,316	2,764	6,482	8,019	9,798
14	10,920	8,421	4,187	7,217	15,107	15,638
20	25,049	18,664	6,623	12,904	31,672	31,568
Total	121,178	109,456	41,067	71,641	162,245	181,097
Checkstand Sacks						
No. 1	10,360	10,524	4,398	8,290	14,758	18,814
No. 2	12,074	11,278	—	—	12,074	11,278
No. 3	32,739	37,968	23,974	42,973	56,713	80,941
Nos. 4 and 5	3,043	3,334	—	—	3,043	3,334
Total	58,216	63,104	28,372	51,263	86,588	114,367

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Checkstand Sacks by Canadian Manufacturers

	Eastern Canada		Western Canada		Canada Total	
	First 2 Months 1978	First 2 Months 1979	First 2 Months 1978	First 2 Months 1979	First 2 Months 1978	First 2 Months 1979
(thousands of bags)						
Standard Grocery Bags						
Size						
1/4 and 1/2	4,667	6,343	3,145	3,193	7,812	9,536
1 }					7,518	8,894
2 }	16,602	18,113	6,034	8,082	15,118	17,301
3 and 4	22,091	21,215	8,416	15,269	30,507	36,484
5	48,457	51,662	9,481	11,781	57,938	63,443
6	9,782	9,512	6,222	12,767	16,004	22,279
7 }					9,502	7,708
8 }	23,635	24,235	12,693	28,257	26,826	44,784
10	35,686	36,181	6,955	12,032	42,641	48,213
12	9,989	11,349	5,579	13,151	15,568	24,500
14	21,383	20,208	10,134	15,960	31,517	36,168
20	49,173	41,494	12,534	22,076	61,707	63,570
Total	241,465	240,312	81,193	142,568	322,658	382,880
Checkstand Sacks						
No. 1	23,201	19,301	12,011	17,762	35,212	37,063
No. 2	25,205	21,903	—	—	25,205	21,903
No. 3	61,147	75,683	50,641	89,930	111,788	165,613
Nos. 4 and 5	5,181	6,825	—	—	5,181	6,825
Total	114,734	123,712	62,652	107,692	177,386	231,404

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When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory Services staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

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Selected Principal Statistics for Bakeries

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1072		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	1,478	1,343	-9.1
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	16,422	16,311	-0.7
Man-hours paid	000's	34,189	33,493	-2.0
Manufacturing wages	\$000	170,354	181,591	6.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	18,217	19,843	8.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	375,913	383,258	2.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	832,604	870,549	4.6
Value added	\$000	439,424	467,513	6.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	25,966	25,575	-1.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	289,879	300,861	3.8
Total value added	\$000	466,711	499,835	7.1

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The Consumer Price Index and Major Components, Canada

(1971=100)

	Indexes			Percentage Change	
				March 1979 from	
	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1979	Mar. 1978
All items	186.6	184.4	170.8	1.2	9.2
Food	231.3	225.6	197.0	2.5	17.4
All items excluding food	172.3	171.0	161.8	0.8	6.5
Housing	182.7	181.7	171.4	0.6	6.6
Clothing	155.5	152.4	147.2	2.0	5.6
Transportation	171.4	170.7	160.5	0.4	6.8
Health and personal care	177.7	174.6	163.3	1.8	8.8
Recreation, reading and education	153.6	153.1	146.1	0.3	5.1
Tobacco and alcohol	161.6	160.1	150.4	0.9	7.4
Purchasing power of the 1971 consumer dollar	0.54	0.54	0.59		
All-items Consumer Price Index converted to 1961=100	248.9				

The Consumer Price Index, March 1979 (62-001, 40¢/\$4)

National Highlights

The All-items Consumer Price Index for Canada (1971=100) increased by 1.2% from a level of 184.4 in February to 186.6 in March. As a result, the 12-month rise between March 1978 and March 1979 stood at 9.2%, unchanged from the increase observed in the previous 12-month period. Higher food prices were once again a significant factor in the latest over-all monthly CPI rise, having been responsible for about one-half of the increase. Higher housing charges and increased prices for clothing also had a noticeable impact. Food prices advanced by 2.5% between February and March, unchanged from the increase observed in the previous month, while the index for all items excluding food rose by 0.8%, up from the 0.5% registered in the previous month.

Higher prices for beef cuts, up on average 7.5% in early March, were largely responsible for the 2.9% increase in the food-at-home index. Other notable contributors to this latest monthly rise included higher prices for selected fresh fruit and vegetables, other meat products, poultry and for selected dairy and cereal products. Coffee and tea prices recorded a slight decline. The 2.9% increase in the food-at-home index in March brought this index 19.0% above its March 1978 level. The food-away-from-home index rose by 1.1% in March resulting in an increase of 11.3% over its level in March 1978.

Higher prices for most clothing and household furnishings items were major contributing factors to the 0.8% increase in the index for all items excluding food. Other notable factors included increased shelter charges for both rented and owned accommodation, higher dental care charges and increased prices for most tobacco products. As well, increased local transit fares became effective in several cities while in the provinces of Newfoundland and Quebec higher prices for beer consumed at home were registered. Between March 1978 and March 1979, the index for all items excluding food advanced by 6.5%, a slight decline from the 6.8% registered in the previous 12-month period.

Viewed in terms of goods and services, the price level for goods, including food, advanced by 1.6% in the latest month while that for services increased by 0.7%. As a result, between March 1978 and March 1979, the price level for goods advanced by 11.2% while that for services rose by 6.2%.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the All-items Consumer Price Index advanced by 1.3% between February and March: this comprised a 2.6% increase in the food index and a 0.9% increase in the index for all items excluding food.

City Highlights

Between February and March, consumer prices rose in all 15 cities for which CPIs are produced. Advances ranged from 0.8% registered in both Winnipeg and Regina to 1.4% observed in Saint John. In 11 of the 15 cities, consumer prices rose by 1.0% or more, with food prices increasing in excess of 2.0% in all cities except Vancouver, where a 1.8% rise was observed.

Saint John

All items: February to March 1979, up 1.0%; March 1978 to March 1979, up 9.4%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef and fresh produce; increased shelter charges and higher fuel oil, clothing and beer prices.

Charlottetown/Summerside

All items: February to March 1979, up 1.3%; March 1978 to March 1979, up 8.9%.

Main contributors: higher prices for meat and fresh produce; increased fuel oil prices and electricity rates. Prices also up for clothing and cigarettes.

Halifax

All items: February to March 1979, up 1.0%; March 1978 to March 1979, up 8.6%.

Main contributors: higher prices for meat, fresh produce and chicken. Increased prices for household furnishings, clothing and local transit fares.

Saint John

All items: February to March 1979, up 1.4%; March 1978 to March 1979, up 9.1%.

(continued)

Consumer Price Indexes for Canada, Major Components, Sub-groups and Special Aggregates, not Seasonally Adjusted — Concluded

(1971=100)

Major components, sub-groups and special aggregates	Indexes	Percentage Change	
		March 1979 from	
	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Mar. 1978
Reclassified by goods and services			
Goods and services			
Goods	186.6	1.2	9.2
Durable goods	190.3	1.6	11.2
Semi-durable goods	148.5	0.9	7.3
Non-durable goods	151.8	1.7	5.3
Services	211.7	1.8	13.4
Special aggregates	182.1	0.7	6.2
All items excluding food			
All items excluding energy	172.3	0.8	6.5
Energy	184.2	1.3	9.5
All items excluding food and energy	220.7	0.2	6.9
	167.7	0.8	6.4

Main contributors: higher prices for meat, fresh produce, chicken and restaurant meals. Increased clothing, cigarette, newspaper and fuel oil prices.

Quebec City

All items: February to March 1979, up 0.9%; March 1978 to March 1979, up 8.8%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, other meat products, fresh produce and chicken. Increased clothing prices and shelter charges. Prices up for beer.

Montreal

All items: February to March 1979, up 1.3%; March 1978 to March 1979, up 8.6%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef and fresh produce. Increased clothing prices. Prices also up for beer and household furnishings.

Ottawa

All items: February to March 1979, up 1.3%; March 1978 to March 1979, up 8.6%.

Main contributors: higher prices for meat, fresh vegetables and restaurant meals. Increased clothing and household furnishings prices, higher dental care charges.

Toronto

All items: February to March 1979, up 1.3%; March 1978 to March 1979, up 9.4%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, fresh produce and restaurant meals. Increased prices for household furnishings and clothing. Increased local transit fares and dental care charges.

Thunder Bay

All items: February to March 1979, up 1.0%; March 1978 to March 1979, up 8.3%.

Main contributors: higher prices for meat, fresh fruit and restaurant meals while bread prices declined. Higher clothing and household furnishings prices and increased shelter charges.

Winnipeg

All items: February to March 1979, up 0.8%; March 1978 to March 1979, up 8.1%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, other meat products, fresh produce and soft drinks. Clothing prices and shelter charges advanced while gasoline prices fell.

Regina

All items: February to March 1979, up 0.8%; March 1978 to March 1979, up 7.9%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef and fresh produce. Advances in shelter charges and clothing prices. Cigarette prices increased partly due to sales tax increases.

Saskatoon

All items: February to March 1979, up 1.0%; March 1978 to March 1979, up 8.0%.

Main contributors: increased prices for meat and fresh produce while bread prices fell. Higher clothing prices and shelter charges. Cigarette prices rose partly due to sales tax increases.

Edmonton

All items: February to March 1979, up 1.0%; March 1978 to March 1979, up 9.3%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, fresh produce and restaurant meals. Higher shelter charges and clothing prices.

Calgary

All items: February to March 1979, up 0.9%; March 1978 to March 1979, up 8.2%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, pork, selected cereal products, fresh produce and restaurant meals. Higher shelter charges and clothing prices. Increased local transit fares.

Vancouver

All items: February to March 1979, up 1.0%; March 1978 to March 1979, up 8.1%.

Main contributors: increased prices for beef, fresh produce and restaurant meals. Higher gasoline prices and automobile insurance premiums. Dental care and selected housing charges also advanced.

(see tables on pages 4 and 5)

Month-to-Month Percentage Changes in the Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Index for Canada*

	All items		Food		All items excluding food	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**
1978						
January	0.4	..	0.8	..	0.2	..
February	0.7	..	0.7	..	0.6	..
March	1.1	..	1.4	..	1.1	..
April	0.2	..	1.7	..	-0.4	..
May	1.4	..	3.3	..	0.6	..
June	0.9	..	2.0	..	0.4	..
July	1.5	..	4.0	..	0.4	..
August	0.1	..	-1.4	..	0.7	..
September	-0.2	..	-2.4	..	0.7	..
October	1.0	0.8	1.2	1.5	1.0	0.6
November	0.8	0.7	0.3	0.7	0.9	0.7
December	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.2	0.4
1979						
January	0.8	0.7	1.9	2.0	0.5	0.3
February	0.9	1.0	2.5	2.5	0.5	0.6
March	1.2	1.3	2.5	2.6	0.8	0.9

* For some elaboration of methodology, see Appendix I(A) of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (Catalogue 62-010).

** Seasonally adjusted data are revised annually using updated seasonal adjustment factors. For more information, refer to Appendix II, Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (Catalogue 62-010).

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.*

	All items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Transportation	Health and personal care	Recreation reading and education	Tobacco and alcohol
	(1971=100)							
St. John's								
March 1979 index	194.9	245.9	198.9	148.5	170.5	188.8	151.8	160.9
February 1979 index	192.9	240.6	197.4	146.3	170.2	186.7	150.8	159.3
% change from February 1979	1.0	2.2	0.8	1.5	0.2	1.1	0.7	1.0
% change from March 1978	9.4	18.2	7.0	5.1	3.8	11.5	8.9	5.9
Charlottetown/Summerside**								
March 1979 index	148.7	158.9	153.8	128.8	144.4	146.1	130.2	135.0
February 1979 index	146.8	154.1	152.7	126.7	144.5	144.2	130.0	133.3
% change from February 1979	1.3	3.1	0.7	1.7	-0.1	1.3	0.2	1.3
% change from March 1978	8.9	16.2	7.0	6.5	5.6	6.3	5.1	3.7
Halifax								
March 1979 index	182.5	223.9	182.8	146.6	172.0	148.9	148.2	150.7
February 1979 index	180.7	217.8	181.9	144.9	171.6	146.7	148.0	150.1
% change from February 1979	1.0	2.8	0.5	1.2	0.2	1.5	0.1	0.4
% change from March 1978	8.6	16.9	5.5	6.8	5.3	7.9	6.0	5.4
Saint John								
March 1979 index	186.8	229.8	185.9	144.9	173.2	175.8	162.8	152.5
February 1979 index	184.3	223.6	184.9	141.2	172.5	174.3	160.9	151.3
% change from February 1979	1.4	2.8	0.5	2.6	0.4	0.9	1.2	0.8
% change from March 1978	9.1	15.4	6.8	6.5	6.6	5.6	6.9	10.3
Quebec								
March 1979 index	183.5	227.7	180.8	140.0	172.1	176.1	153.8	164.3
February 1979 index	181.8	222.8	180.4	137.4	172.3	173.0	153.6	162.0
% change from February 1979	0.9	2.2	0.2	1.9	-0.1	1.8	0.1	1.4
% change from March 1978	8.8	14.3	8.3	-0.4	6.4	10.1	7.1	9.8
Montreal								
March 1979 index	184.2	230.7	172.5	154.9	172.7	177.4	157.5	168.4
February 1979 index	181.9	225.0	171.8	151.2	172.7	174.7	157.0	165.0
% change from February 1979	1.3	2.5	0.4	2.4	0.0	1.5	0.3	2.1
% change from March 1978	8.6	16.5	6.9	0.2	5.6	9.2	4.9	9.9

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada (continued)

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing (1971=100)	Trans- porta- tion (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation reading and education	Tobacco and alcohol
Ottawa								
March 1979 index	184.4	220.2	180.6	170.9	172.3	171.0	148.7	165.4
February 1979 index	182.1	213.3	179.8	167.4	171.8	167.3	148.7	164.9
% change from February 1979	1.3	3.2	0.4	2.1	0.3	2.2	0.0	0.3
% change from March 1978	8.6	15.5	6.0	8.9	7.4	6.7	5.0	5.9
Toronto								
March 1979 index	185.2	225.2	181.6	157.8	171.1	186.8	152.8	159.2
February 1979 index	182.8	219.8	180.3	154.7	168.8	182.6	151.9	158.6
% change from February 1979	1.3	2.5	0.7	2.0	1.4	2.3	0.6	0.4
% change from March 1978	9.4	17.0	6.9	9.4	7.3	10.3	4.8	4.3
Thunder Bay								
March 1979 index	185.6	225.1	185.3	151.0	176.6	182.3	151.6	158.3
February 1979 index	183.8	219.7	184.3	148.7	176.8	179.5	151.0	158.0
% change from February 1979	1.0	2.5	0.5	1.5	-0.1	1.6	0.4	0.2
% change from March 1978	8.3	14.4	6.9	8.5	5.4	8.4	4.3	5.3
Winnipeg								
March 1979 index	187.3	226.4	195.3	161.1	163.4	178.2	152.0	157.9
February 1979 index	185.8	220.7	194.2	158.2	166.0	175.9	151.8	156.9
% change from February 1979	0.8	2.6	0.6	1.8	-1.6	1.3	0.1	0.6
% change from March 1978	8.1	14.5	6.7	9.5	2.6	8.1	5.3	7.1
Regina								
March 1979 index	185.7	220.4	185.1	156.5	173.4	176.2	170.4	165.7
February 1979 index	184.2	215.7	184.0	154.0	173.4	175.1	171.1	163.6
% change from February 1979	0.8	2.2	0.6	1.6	0.0	0.6	-0.4	1.3
% change from March 1978	7.9	16.6	4.8	6.5	6.0	7.9	4.5	6.3
Saskatoon								
March 1979 index	181.6	218.2	180.0	158.7	166.1	167.6	167.1	164.7
February 1979 index	179.8	212.9	178.9	155.9	166.0	165.9	166.5	163.5
% change from February 1979	1.0	2.5	0.6	1.8	0.1	1.0	0.4	0.7
% change from March 1978	8.0	15.5	5.5	6.3	5.8	8.5	5.1	6.7
Edmonton								
March 1979 index	188.5	220.8	200.2	163.8	173.2	165.0	158.0	146.4
February 1979 index	186.6	214.9	199.0	161.6	173.1	163.4	157.5	145.9
% change from February 1979	1.0	2.7	0.6	1.4	0.1	1.0	0.3	0.3
% change from March 1978	9.3	15.4	8.6	9.6	5.6	6.7	6.7	3.5
Calgary								
March 1979 index	184.3	217.5	190.7	162.8	168.2	174.3	156.4	149.8
February 1979 index	182.6	213.1	189.7	160.8	167.4	172.6	155.7	149.4
% change from February 1979	0.9	2.1	0.5	1.2	0.5	1.0	0.4	0.3
% change from March 1978	8.2	15.3	7.6	8.1	3.3	8.7	4.8	4.5
Vancouver								
March 1979 index	187.5	225.6	186.1	158.4	176.7	175.4	148.7	163.7
February 1979 index	185.6	221.6	185.4	154.8	174.9	171.4	147.9	163.7
% change from February 1979	1.0	1.8	0.4	2.3	1.0	2.3	0.5	0.0
% change from March 1978	8.1	14.2	4.7	6.5	7.7	8.1	4.4	10.8

* For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Section C, of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (62-010, \$1.40/\$5.60).

** 1974=100.

Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

February 1979 — Advance Information

	Domestic		Export		Total	
	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Ingots and semi-finished shapes	37,728	34 226	4,191	3 802	41,919	38 028
Rails	22,585	20 489	1,091	990	23,676	21 479
Wire rods	70,011	63 512	34,784	31 555	104,795	95 067
Structural shapes:						
Heavy	72,216	65 513	14,451	13 110	86,667	78 623
Bar-sized shapes	11,659	10 578	3,452	3 132	15,111	13 710
Concrete reinforcing bars	46,444	42 134	—	—	46,444	42 134
Other hot rolled bars	103,025	93 463	11,362	10 308	114,387	103 771
Tie plates and track material	8,215	7 453	737	669	8,952	8 122
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes)	111,012	100 710	18,504	16 787	129,516	117 497
Hot rolled sheets and strip	219,767	199 367	15,954	14 473	235,721	213 840
Cold finished bars	9,718	8 816	248	225	9,966	9 041
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled						
other, coated	162,117	147 068	12,790	11 602	174,907	158 670
Galvanized sheets	80,766	73 268	14,135	12 823	94,901	86 091
Total	955,263	866 597	131,699	119 476	1,086,962	986 073

* Producers' shipments excluding producers' interchange.

For further information, order the February issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Brian Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Pulpwood and Wood Residue, February 1979 — Advance Information

Roundwood production increased 4.8% to 1,274,487 cunits (3 608 939 m3) in February 1979 from 1,215,616 cunits (3 442 235 m3) a year earlier. Receipts of wood residue increased 14.4% to 1,122,941 cunits (3 179 811 m3) from 981,268 cunits (2 778 636 m3).

Consumption of roundwood and wood residue rose 7.8% to 2,524,036 cunits (7 147 262 m3) from 2,340,400 cunits (6 627 265 m3) and the closing inventory of these two products decreased by 6.3% to 9,305,182 cunits (26 349 297 m3) from 9,933,661 cunits (28 128 950 m3).

For further information, order the February issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Colin Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Refined Petroleum Products, February 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary data for February show that net sales of all refined petroleum products amounted to 56,359,000 barrels (8 956 thousand cubic metres), an increase of 2.9% from the February 1978 total of 54,767,000 barrels (8 703 thousand cubic metres).

Canadian refineries produced 53,515,000 barrels (8 504 thousand cubic metres) of refined petroleum products in February, down 1.3% from 54,226,000 barrels (8 617 thousand cubic metres) in February 1978.

For further information, order the February issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, 40¢/\$4), or contact G.R. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, March 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for March 1979 was 1,437,967 short tons (1 304 502 t). Pig iron production totalled 1,077,127 short tons (977 153 t).

For further information, order the March issue of *Steel Ingots and Pig Iron* (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Brian Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V3.

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- 13-001 (\$1.40/\$5.60) **National Income and Expenditure Accounts**, Fourth Quarter 1978
- 22-007 (40¢/\$4) **Grains and Oilseeds Review**, February 1979
- 33-202 (70¢) **Leather Tanneries**, 1977
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- 52-003 (30¢/\$3) **Railway Operating Statistics**, November 1978
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62-011 (55¢/\$5.50) Industry Price Indexes, January 1979

67-002 (40¢/\$4) Security Transactions with Non-Residents, December 1978

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54-003 (\$1.40 per year) Water Transport, Vol. 9, No. 2, Cargo Loaded and Unloaded in Coastwise Shipping by Vessels of Foreign Registries, October-December 1977 and 1978

Wholesale Trade, February 1979 — Advance Information

Wholesale merchants' sales for February at an estimated \$5,400,314,000 showed an increase of 21.5% from \$4,443,582,000 in February 1978.

Wholesale inventories were valued at \$9,603,749,000, up 23.4% from stocks of \$7,784,312,000 on hand at the end of February last year.

For further information, order the February issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Mineral Production, February 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian mineral production for February and for 1979 to date, with 1978 figures in brackets (as reported by Energy, Mines and Resources):

- Gold, 3 755 900 grams (4 080 963) — 7 806 569 grams (8 185 222).
- Silver, 93 449 kilograms (107 295) — 203 795 kilograms (207 687).
- Primary copper, 47 765 tonnes (63 493) — 92 261 tonnes (119 743).
- Primary nickel, 5 811 tonnes (13 572) — 12 110 tonnes (29 707).
- Refined lead, 16 114 tonnes (15 936) — 30 755 tonnes (30 410).
- Refined zinc, 47 244 tonnes (37 911) — 96 269 tonnes (77 469).

For further information, order the February issue of the free EM&R publication *Production of Canada's Leading Minerals* or contact John Brennan (613-995-9351), Mineral Policy Sector, Energy, Mines and Resources, Ottawa K1A 0E4.

Construction-type Plywood, February 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian mills shipped 226,111,000 square feet (200 528 m³) 3/8" (9.525 mm) basis of construction-type plywood in February 1979.

For further information, contact Patrick Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6, or order the February issue of *Construction-type Plywood* (35-001, 30¢/\$3).

Production of Eggs and Poultry, February 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian egg production decreased by 4.0% to 34.9 million dozen in February 1979 from 36.4 million dozen a year earlier. The average number of layers was down 3.3% to 23.3 million from 24.1 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers decreased 0.8% to 1,798 from 1,812.

For further information, order the February issue of *Production of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4853), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended April 14, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended April 14 was 341,027 short tons (309 374 t), an increase of 1.2% from the preceding week's total of 336,974 short tons (305 698 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 316,554 short tons (287 173 t).

The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 186.1 in the current week, 183.9 a week earlier and 172.8 a year earlier.

For further information, contact Brian Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

10-day period ending March 31, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979			
Short tons, 1978	4,129,162	3,061,449	7,190,611
Metric tonnes, 1979	2,880,808	3,095,967	5,976,775
Metric tonnes, 1978	3 745 913	2 777 300	6 523 213
% change	2 613 425	2 808 614	5 422 039
Cars, 1979	43.3	-1.1	20.3
Cars, 1978	66,163	44,945	111,108
% change	53,670	45,873	99,543
	23.3	-2.0	11.6
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979			
Short tons, 1978	274,193	101,214	375,407
Metric tonnes, 1979	244,624	92,430	337,054
Metric tonnes, 1978	248 744	91 820	340 564
% change	221 919	83 851	305 770
Cars, 1979	12.1	9.5	11.4
Cars, 1978	8,082	3,725	11,807
% change	7,514	3,470	10,984
	7.6	7.3	7.5
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979			
Short tons, 1978	30,360,437	26,570,433	56,930,870
Metric tonnes, 1979	29,341,715	26,157,565	55,499,280
Metric tonnes, 1978	27 542 525	24 104 291	51 646 816
% change	26 618 356	23 729 744	50 348 100
Cars, 1979	3.5	1.6	2.6
Cars, 1978	494,745	391,284	886,029
% change	484,456	393,930	878,386
	2.1	-0.7	0.9
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979			
Short tons, 1978	2,078,867	795,150	2,874,017
Metric tonnes, 1979	2,115,581	751,662	2,867,243
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 885 916	721 348	2 607 264
% change	1 919 223	681 896	2 601 119
Cars, 1979	-1.7	5.8	0.2
Cars, 1978	63,078	30,496	93,574
% change	62,889	30,126	93,015
	0.3	1.2	0.6

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 10 Days Ended March 31, 1979
 — Published Only in the *Daily*

The volume of revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada totalled 6.5 million t (7.2 million short tons) in the above-noted 10 days, a gain of 20.3% over the year-earlier period. Eastern loadings, which were adversely affected by labour problems in the iron ore mining areas of Quebec and Newfoundland in 1978, rose by 43.3% in the latest period. Tonnage was down 1.1% in the West.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments (included above) were up 12.1% in the East and 9.5% in the West for an over-all gain of 11.4%.

In the first quarter of 1979, rail freight loadings aggregated 51.6 million t (56.9 million short tons), an increase of 2.6% from January-March 1978.

Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) loadings were 0.2% above the year-earlier level.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Children's Clothing Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2450		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	127	113	-11.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	5,654	5,006	-11.5
Man-hours paid	000's	11,291	10,194	-9.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	38,480	38,350	-0.3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	693	714	3.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	99,917	95,255	-4.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	177,480	174,356	-1.8
Value added	\$000	78,559	81,157	3.3
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	6,462	5,757	-10.9
Total salaries and wages	\$000	50,477	50,986	1.0
Total value added	\$000	78,642	80,973	3.0

For further information, contact E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Women's and Children's Clothing Industries, 1977* (34-217, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for Other Knitting Mills

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2392		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	148	138	-6.8
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	12,598	10,905	-13.4
Man-hours paid	000's	25,849	22,217	-14.1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	90,864	86,473	-4.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,549	2,742	7.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	136,158	139,132	2.2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	305,166	305,855	0.2
Value added	\$000	169,519	163,997	-3.3
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	14,062	12,044	-14.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	112,577	105,473	-6.3
Total value added	\$000	168,853	183,493	8.7

For further information, contact E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Knitting Mills, 1977* (34-215, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Soap and Cleaning Preparations

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

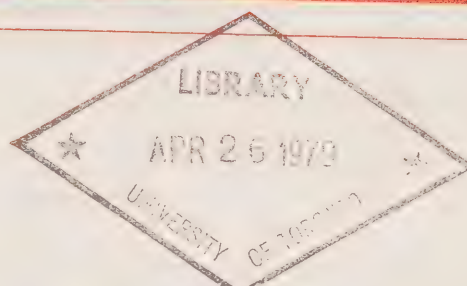
S.I.C. 3760		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	89	94	6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	3,396	3,527	4
Man-hours paid	000's	7,121	7,249	2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	44,506	50,107	13
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	4,879	6,022	23
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	253,045	280,639	11
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	438,121	565,275	29
Value added	\$000	186,724	282,362	51
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	6,217	6,533	5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	89,854	100,839	12
Total value added	\$000	211,553	304,729	44

For further information, contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Soap and Cleaning Preparations, 1977* (46-214, 70¢).

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Department Stores in Canada, 1923-1976

During the 1970s, the department store sector of retail trade has undergone dynamic change. In 1971, there were 40 department store organizations in Canada operating 434 outlets with sales of \$3,193,589,000. By 1976, the number of department store organizations had declined to 30 due to amalgamations or financial difficulties but there was a net increase of 185 full-line department store outlets and sales rose to \$6,514,325,000. Much of this increase was due to the large-scale expansion of the so-called junior department stores such as K-Mart, Woolco and Miracle Mart.

Released today is the publication *Department Stores in Canada, 1923-1976* (Catalogue No. 63-530, \$2.10 in Canada, \$2.55 elsewhere), a study of how department stores evolved and developed in this country, what the current trends are and what probably lies ahead. Contents include: growth of department stores nationally, by provinces, and at the sub-provincial level; development of junior department stores; department stores in shopping centres; sales per square foot; sales size; commodity mix; and potential for growth.

Supplementary 1977 data compiled too late for inclusion in the publication are also available and will be supplied free of charge to those ordering the publication. For further information, contact David Van Luven (613-995-4198), Analysis and Development Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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46-002 (15¢/\$1.50) **Specified Chemicals**, February 197961-205 (\$1.05) **Private and Public Investment in Canada**, Outlook 1979**New Publication:**63-530 (\$2.10) **Department Stores in Canada, 1923-1976****Service Bulletin:**52-004 (\$1.40 per year) **Railway Transport** — Vol. 9, No. 2, Railway Carloadings, February 1979; Railway Operating Statistics, November 1978**Building Permits**

(million of dollars)

		1978					1979				
		Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total	Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total
Canada — Unadjusted	Jan.	279.4	48.0	116.2	94.2	537.8	239.8	45.6	141.5	60.5	487.4
Canada — Adjusted	Jan.	611.0	89.0	188.4	161.9	1,050.3	538.6	92.2	229.7	117.4	977.9
Canada Jan.-Unadjusted		279.4	48.0	116.2	94.2	537.8	239.8	45.6	141.5	60.5	487.4
Newfoundland		1.1	0.1	1.7	0.1	3.0	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.3	1.3
Prince Edward Island		1.2	0.2	0.1	2.5	4.0	0.7	0.2	0.1	0.0	1.0
Nova Scotia		8.5	0.2	1.2	2.4	12.3	9.5	0.7	11.8	7.7	29.7
New Brunswick		0.7	1.1	1.0	0.5	3.3	1.0	4.5	2.6	0.8	8.9
Quebec		31.7	6.3	12.2	16.1	66.3	41.0	5.7	17.0	9.3	73.0
Ontario		59.7	25.4	33.6	8.6	127.3	48.9	21.3	37.3	11.0	118.5
Manitoba		13.5	0.6	3.6	4.3	22.0	12.0	0.4	15.3	0.7	28.4
Saskatchewan		16.8	0.1	5.1	5.7	27.7	9.9	0.6	8.1	5.6	24.2
Alberta		96.4	10.1	24.7	46.0	177.2	82.5	7.2	34.8	19.3	143.8
British Columbia		49.3	3.9	32.8	8.0	94.0	32.6	4.9	13.9	5.8	57.2
N.W.T. and Yukon		0.5	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.7	1.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	1.4

Building Permits, January 1979 — Advance Information

The value of building permits issued during January dropped to a seasonally-adjusted level of \$978 million from a revised \$1,298 million in December 1978. In January 1978, the value of all permits issued was \$1,050 million.

The decrease in the latest month was attributable mainly to residential construction which fell to a four-year low of \$539 million, after reaching an unusually high level of \$772 million in December. (The latter was caused by an upsurge of large apartment projects in Quebec and Ontario.) Non-residential building permits also decreased, to \$439 million in January from \$526 million in December.

Residential permits (seasonally adjusted) were issued for the construction of 7,962 single-detached houses and 6,013 collective dwelling units. In December 1978, 8,324 single-detached and 13,819 multiple dwellings were authorized.

In the non-residential sector, there were decreases in all categories: new industrial projects totalled \$92 million in January compared to \$101 million in the

previous month, while commercial projects dropped to an estimated \$230 million in January from \$296 million in December. Publicly-initiated projects remained high at \$117 million, although somewhat lower than in December (\$130 million).

For further information, order the January issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, 70¢/\$7), or contact J.P. Delisle (613-995-8213), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Building Permits

January 1979

	Number of Dwelling Units			Value of Residential and Non-Residential Construction				
	Singles	Multiples	Total	Residen- tial	Indus- trial	Commer- cial (\$000)	Institu- tional and govern- mental	Total
Newfoundland	8	—	8	412	93	501	335	1,341
Prince Edward Island	19	2	21	665	155	123	20	963
Nova Scotia	125	208	333	9,495	718	11,836	7,660	29,709
New Brunswick	17	12	29	1,005	4,473	2,615	775	8,868
Quebec	415	853	1,268	41,021	5,730	16,948	9,274	72,973
Ontario	613	580	1,193	48,903	21,238	37,332	11,032	118,505
Manitoba	80	378	458	12,038	386	15,267	740	28,431
Saskatchewan	124	168	292	9,938	648	8,046	5,578	24,210
Alberta	988	1,029	2,017	82,490	7,225	38,839	19,236	143,790
British Columbia	631	129	760	32,600	4,867	13,910	5,839	57,216
Yukon	19	4	23	1,100	10	81	6	1,197
Northwest Territories	1	—	1	141	—	42	8	191
Canada — Unadjusted	3,040	3,363	6,403	239,808	45,543	141,540	60,503	487,394
Canada — Adjusted	7,962	6,013	13,975	538,601	92,167	229,709	117,426	977,903
Metropolitan Areas	2,003	2,741	4,744	177,008	22,580	100,223	43,241	343,052
Calgary	395	356	751	32,796	775	15,544	1,539	50,654
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	11	24	35	953	24	373	194	1,544
Edmonton	368	595	963	36,149	1,611	10,519	9,002	57,281
Halifax	29	181	210	5,499	30	2,783	7,494	15,806
Hamilton	20	10	30	1,527	212	560	12	2,311
Hull	5	—	5	448	10	298	1,370	2,126
Kitchener	30	—	30	1,095	636	1,015	192	2,938
London	52	4	56	2,094	60	1,388	—	3,542
Montreal	200	662	862	25,405	2,025	8,008	4,478	39,916
Oshawa	15	2	17	845	426	95	650	2,016
Ottawa	29	—	29	2,135	571	3,666	538	6,910
Quebec	82	32	114	4,859	846	3,702	1,564	10,971
Regina	26	110	136	4,316	—	2,762	632	7,710
St. Catharines-Niagara	11	109	120	2,386	673	2,663	121	5,843
Saint John	2	—	2	211	216	336	—	763
St. John's	6	—	6	269	—	311	335	915
Saskatoon	76	4	80	3,578	75	3,801	4,129	11,583
Sudbury	2	—	2	102	—	919	—	1,021
Thunder Bay	6	—	6	421	65	183	126	795
Toronto	189	272	461	21,311	8,627	17,039	7,484	54,461
Vancouver	246	6	252	12,495	3,104	5,598	1,485	22,682
Victoria	95	8	103	5,258	66	2,636	1,448	9,408
Windsor	39	—	39	1,716	2,250	1,547	30	5,543
Winnipeg	69	366	435	11,140	278	14,477	418	26,313

Preliminary figures.

For further information, order *Building Permits*, January 1979 (64-001, 70¢/\$7).**Estimates of Disappearance of Poultry and Eggs, 1978**
— Advance Information

Disappearance of poultry in 1978 was 48.0 pounds per capita compared to 45.7 pounds (revised) in 1977. Disappearance of chicken increased to 35.7 pounds per capita in 1978 from 33.7 pounds in 1977 and turkey at 9.6 pounds per capita was up from 9.3 pounds while disappearance of fowl at 2.7 pounds per capita in 1978 was unchanged from the 1977 level.

Disappearance of eggs dropped to 18.2 dozen per capita in 1978 from 18.6 dozen in 1977.

For further information, order the 1978 issue of *Production of Poultry and Eggs* (23-202, 70¢), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4853), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Prefabricated Buildings (Wood Frame Construction)

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2543		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	87	78	-10.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,798	4,074	-15.1
Man-hours paid	000's	9,965	8,296	-16.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	51,205	46,725	-8.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,008	1,826	-9.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	232,156	207,111	-10.8
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	365,753	339,438	-7.2
Value added	\$000	136,899	129,485	-5.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	6,317	5,320	-15.8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	76,017	70,042	-7.9
Total value added	\$000	144,347	143,957	-0.3

For further information, contact Patrick Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Sash, Door and Other Millwork Plants, 1977* (35-205, \$1.05).

Import and Domestic Export Price and Volume Indexes, January 1979 — Advance Information

On a fixed-weighted basis, both import and export price indexes increased 1.3% in January. On a current-weighted basis the increases, because of weight shifts, were more substantial — prices of imports rose 2.7% and exports 3.0%.

Seasonally-adjusted import volume declined 1.9% in January from the exceptionally high level reached in December when import volume climbed 5.1%.

Domestic export volume with a 3.0% increase in January recovered much of the 4.1% decrease in December volume.

For further information, order the February issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

Import and Domestic Export Price and Volume Indexes

Price Indexes Weighted with Current Period Quantities

Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation
(1971=100)

	Imports	Domestic Exports
1976 Annual	157.5	177.3
1977 Annual	176.0	188.8
1978 Annual	199.6	204.6
1977		
III Quarter	180.2	192.7
IV Quarter	183.2	193.0
1978		
I Quarter	192.2	199.1
II Quarter	194.6	200.6
III Quarter	202.5	207.6
IV Quarter	210.8	212.1
1978		
August	204.6	213.2
September	202.9	207.9
October	207.7	209.5
November	214.1	213.2
December	210.6	214.7
1979		
January	216.3	221.3

Volume Indexes Weighted with 1971 Prices

Seasonally Adjusted
(1971=100)

	Imports	Domestic Exports
1976 Annual	152.2	120.7
1977 Annual	153.2	131.2
1978 Annual	157.8	143.9
1977		
III Quarter	150.9	128.3
IV Quarter	149.4	133.8
1978		
I Quarter	145.8	139.2
II Quarter	160.2	142.3
III Quarter	157.7	143.4
IV Quarter	168.1	151.7
1978		
August	151.4	132.7
September	164.5	159.3
October	164.9	145.8
November	165.2	157.9
December	174.1	151.5
1979		
January	170.8	156.0

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Exports and Imports by Commodities

Commodity-country export and import trade statistics for February 1979 are now available in advance of the regular publications. For information, contact G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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- 22-002E (\$5.60 for series of 20) **Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 3, Stocks of Grain at March 31** — Available April 20, 1979 at 3 p.m.
- 34-203 (70¢) **Cordage and Twine Industry, 1977**
- 35-210 (70¢) **Coffin and Casket Industry, 1977**
- 36-003 (15¢/\$1.50) **Particle Board, February 1979**
- 36-205 (70¢) **Asphalt Roofing Manufacturers, 1977**

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36-213 (70¢) Corrugated Box Manufacturers, 1977

41-002 (15¢/\$1.50) Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, March 1979

41-006 (15¢/\$1.50) Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, February 1979

42-216 (70¢) Office and Store Machinery Manufacturers, 1977

43-003 (15¢/\$1.50) Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances, February 1979

43-005 (15¢/\$1.50) Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, February 1979

43-009 (15¢/\$1.50) Electric Lamps, February 1979

43-203 (70¢) Manufacturers of Small Electrical Appliances, 1977

47-004 (15¢/\$1.50) Production and Sales of Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada, February 1979

61-001 (30¢/\$3) Cheques Cashed, February 1979

Travel, Tourism and Outdoor Recreation

The new edition of *Travel, Tourism and Outdoor Recreation* (catalogue No. 66-202, \$3.50 in Canada), a 282-page statistical digest covering 1976 and 1977, is now available.

This edition features an expanded section on recreation participation, summarizing the findings from the 1976 Labour Force Survey supplement on fitness, physical recreation and sport. Also included are data on socio-economic characteristics of households with recreation equipment, and on gun ownership, gun use and the household stock of firearms.

Contents: recreation participation; parks, camping, hunting and fishing; travel to work; domestic travel by residents of Canada; travel between Canada and the U.S. and between Canada and overseas countries; balance of payments and international travel; the plant; employment; and selected influences on travel and recreation.

Future editions will be published biennially rather than annually, because of budgetary constraints. For further information, contact Bob Chadwick (613-995-9697), Chief, Travel, Tourism and Recreation Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Dairy Factory Production, March 1979 — Advance Information

Production of creamery butter was up 2.8% in March 1979 to 6 529 metric tonnes from 6 351 metric tonnes a year earlier. Cheddar cheese production increased 30% to 8 046 metric tonnes from 6 189 metric tonnes, and production of ice cream increased 10.2% to 12 457 kilolitres from 11 301 kilolitres.

For further information, order March issue of *Dairy Factory Production* (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact C.M. Riach (613-995-4858), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, April 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter were up to 50.4 million pounds on April 1 from last year's corresponding total of 48.8 million, and stocks of cheddar cheese rose to 64.1 million pounds from 57.0 million. Stocks of skim milk powder decreased to 22.9 million pounds from 54.0 million while stocks of evaporated whole milk increased to 22.4 million pounds from 15.4 million.

For further information, order the April issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Manufacturers of Toys and Decorations, 1977 — Advance Information

In 1977, 54 Canadian firms manufacturing toys and decorations reported total domestic sales of \$241.2 million and export sales of \$14.0 million. During the year, the firms spent \$9.6 million on advertising while a total of \$36.8 million in taxes (including customs duties) was paid to federal and provincial authorities.

For further information regarding this survey of financial statistics of toys and decorations manufacturers, contact Rod Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Miscellaneous Furniture and Fixtures Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2660		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	351	328	-6.6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.			
Man-hours paid	000's	9,724	8,683	-10.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	20,685	18,227	-11.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	95,514	93,104	-2.5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	3,946	3,806	-3.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	203,890	187,845	-7.9
Value added	\$000	410,476	392,296	-4.4
Total Activity:		208,728	202,763	-2.9
Total employees	No.			
Total salaries and wages	\$000	12,036	10,725	-10.9
Total value added	\$000	128,442	124,531	-3.0
		217,547	209,994	-3.5

For further information, contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Furniture and Fixtures Manufacturers, 1977* (35-213, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Soft Drink Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1091		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	272	263	-3.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.			
Man-hours paid	000's	6,930	6,429	-7.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	14,847	13,378	-9.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	79,139	79,841	0.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	10,941	12,221	11.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	390,554	382,047	-2.2
Value added	\$000	751,382	775,037	3.2
Total Activity:		351,510	381,618	8.6
Total employees	No.			
Total salaries and wages	\$000	14,282	14,548	1.9
Total value added	\$000	180,652	202,281	11.8
		395,419	437,990	10.8

For further information, contact T.P. Sterling (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Soft Drink Manufacturers, 1977* (32-208, 70¢).

Airport Activity, September 1978 — Advance Information

Airport activity statistics for the top 50 airports in Canada are now available for the month of September 1978.

Total scheduled enplaned plus deplaned passenger statistics for Toronto International, Montreal (Dorval) International and Mirabel International are shown in the accompanying table.

The complete airport tables and further information may be obtained by contacting Mr. E. DiSanza (819-997-1986), Airport Activity Survey, Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Airport Activity

September 1978

	Toronto International	Montreal International	Mirabel International
September 1978	933,614	463,983	117,782
September 1977	936,481	466,672	114,951
% change	-0.3	-0.6	2.5

Decorative Laminate Sheet, January-March 1979 — Advance Information

Domestic shipments of 1/8-inch high pressure laminate sheet in the first March quarter of 1979 totalled 21.8 million square feet (2.0 mm²) with a value of \$9.3 million. In the same quarter of 1978, totals were 20.4 million square feet (1.9 mm²) and \$8.2 million.

For further information, order the first quarter issue of *Factory Shipments of High Pressure Decorative Laminate Sheet* (47-005, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact Rod Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Feed Price Indexes, March 1979 — Advance Information

Feed price indexes, Canada and five geographical regions, are now available for March 1979.

For further information, contact the Information Unit (613-995-5738), Industrial Prices Section, Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

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Enrolments in Post-secondary Programs of Community Colleges by Provinces

Fall 1977 and 1978

Province	Career Programs			University Transfer Programs			Both Programs		
	Fall Enrolment		Percentage Increase	Fall Enrolment		Percentage Increase	Fall Enrolment		Percentage Increase
	1977	1978		1977	1978		1977	1978	
Nfld.	1,138	1,277	-3.1	—	—	—	1,318	1,277	-3.1
P.E.I.	601	658	9.5	—	—	—	601	658	9.5
N.S.	2,014*	1,915*	-4.9	187	192	2.7	2,201	2,107	-4.3
N.B.	1,061	1,171	10.4	—	—	—	1,061	1,171	10.4
Que.	61,293	64,085p	4.6	72,510	72,855p	-0.3	133,803	136,370p	1.9
Ont.	60,994	65,835p	7.9	—	—	—	60,994	65,835p	7.9
Man.	2,394	2,385	-0.3	—	—	—	2,394	2,385	-0.3
Sask.	2,415	2,397	-0.7	—	—	—	2,415	2,397	-0.7
Alta.	12,475	13,943	11.8	2,095	2,266	8.1	14,570	16,209	11.2
B.C.	8,616	8,925	3.6	7,685	7,089	-7.8	16,301	16,014	-1.8
Canada	153,181	162,591	6.1	82,477	81,832	-0.8	235,658	244,423	3.7

* Includes Nova Scotia Teachers' College
p Preliminary figures.

Enrolments in Post-secondary Programs of Community Colleges, 1978 — Advance Information

In the fall of 1978, full-time students enrolled in Canadian community colleges and other post-secondary educational institutions not granting degrees numbered 244,423, an increase of 3.7% from a year earlier. The largest increase was in Alberta (11.2%), mostly in diploma or certificate career programs. In Quebec, the over-all increase was less than 2% because of a decrease in the number of students in university transfer programs; in British Columbia there was a slight decrease in over-all enrolment for the same reason.

The accompanying table summarizes the changes in enrolments from the fall of 1977 to the fall of 1978 (the figures shown are subject to minor revisions at a later date). For further information, contact John North (613-995-9797), Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Department Store Sales and Stocks, February 1979 — Advance Information

Department store sales rose to \$448.7 million in February, an increase of 4.5% from the \$429.4 million recorded in February 1978.

Sales were up in 28 of the 40 departments with the largest gains posted by furs (+259.9%), repairs and services (+45.1%), and china and glassware (+34.0%). All provinces except Alberta (-0.4%) and British Columbia (-1.8%) reported increased sales ranging from 15.5% for Newfoundland to 0.1% for Manitoba. In metropolitan areas, Montreal sales totalled \$53.5 million, +17.8%; Toronto, \$67.5 million, +7.0%; Winnipeg, \$21.4 million, +0.2%; Vancouver, \$48.8 million, -1.0%.

Inventories held in February 1979 at \$2,013.5 million showed an increase of 16.1% over February 1978. Stocks increased in 31 of the 40 departments.

For further information, order the February issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, April 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first day of April amounted to 113.6 million pounds

compared with 108.7 million last month and 96.1 million a year earlier.

For further information order the April issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Wool Production and Supply, 1978 — Advance Information

Wool production in Canada in 1978 is estimated at 1,949,800 pounds. Imports of wool at 38,351,000 pounds increased by 9% from 1977. Exports, at 1,140,000 pounds in 1978, increased by 26% from the previous year.

The total farm value of shorn wool production for 1978 is estimated at \$1,023,000, an average of 52.5 cents a pound.

For further information, order the 1978 issue of *Wool Production and Supply* (23-205, 35¢), or contact Elizabeth A. Leckie (613-995-4853), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Tobacco Products — Cigarettes and Cigars, March 1979 — Advance Information

Cigarette production in March at 6.8 billion was up from 6.4 billion in March 1978. Production of cigars decreased to 37.3 million from 39.6 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the March issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, February 1979 — Advance Information

Advance information on canned and frozen fruits and vegetables is now available for the month of February 1979.

For further information, order the February issue of *Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Rod Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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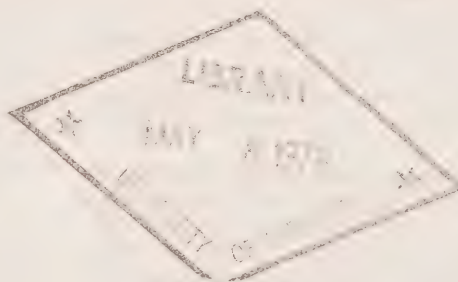
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Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1978		1979		% Change
		Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	
Index of Industrial Production	29.230	136.2	138.2	139.3	140.3	0.7
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	104.6	106.8	107.2	111.2	3.7
Metal mines	1.584	80.5	84.9	87.1	87.2	0.1
Mineral fuels	1.492	120.7	120.6	120.4	129.8	7.8
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	122.3	124.0	121.8	125.4	3.0
Manufacturing industries	22.753	138.9	140.7	141.7	141.9	0.1
Food and beverage industries	3.107	117.8	117.1	120.6	119.4	-1.0
Tobacco products industries	.212	111.6	116.1	111.4	117.2	5.2
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	224.6	229.5	230.2	235.6	2.3
Leather industries	.206	104.8	107.9	109.2	109.8	0.5
Textile industries	.769	138.2	139.6	142.5	141.8	-0.5
Knitting mills	.205	142.9	139.4	130.8	133.0	1.7
Clothing industries	.742	137.1	136.0	132.8	133.1	0.2
Wood industries	.968	161.1	161.0	157.2	154.4	-1.8
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	143.1	140.4	145.0	141.7	-2.3
Paper and allied industries	1.841	129.0	132.1	134.7	133.6	-0.8
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	138.5	136.5	135.9	138.9	2.2
Primary metal industries	1.976	127.4	128.2	127.6	126.6	-0.8
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.957	123.5	126.5	125.5	127.4	1.5
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.001	161.3	164.2	166.6	168.5	1.1
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	153.6	158.3	159.5	158.6	-0.6
Electrical products industries	1.631	126.3	129.5	128.4	128.8	0.3
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	142.9	154.5	159.2	162.2	1.9
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	142.0	137.1	139.4	135.9	-2.5
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.362	155.6	155.7	159.2	163.1	2.4
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	144.4	147.2	147.8	144.1	-2.5
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.658	159.0	161.0	164.7	168.6	2.4
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.324	137.6	138.1	139.8	140.1	0.2
Durable manufacturing industries	11.429	140.1	143.3	143.6	143.6	—

Index of Industrial Production, February 1979 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted index of industrial production (1971=100) increased 0.7% to 140.3 in February from 139.3 in January. Mining, utilities and manufacturing all showed increased output during the latest month.

For further information, order the February issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)*, (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 192.4 in the current week, 186.1 a week earlier and 169.6 a year earlier.

For further information, contact Brian Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended April 21, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended April 21 was 352,487 short tons (319 771 t), an increase of 3.4% from the preceding week's total of 341,027 short tons (309 374 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 310,718 short tons (281 879 t).

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending April 7, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979			
Short tons, 1978	2,549,715	2,227,115	4,776,830
Metric tonnes, 1979	1,815,438	2,211,505	4,026,943
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 313 062	2 020 405	4 333 467
% change	1 646 938	2 006 244	3 653 182
Cars, 1979	40.4	0.7	18.6
Cars, 1978	41,219	32,654	73,873
% change	34,512	32,875	67,387
	19.4	-0.7	9.6
Piggyback traffic:			
U Short tons, 1979			
Short tons, 1978	157,870	69,654	227,524
Metric tonnes, 1979	160,411	65,584	225,995
Metric tonnes, 1978	143 217	63 189	206 406
% change	145 522	59 497	205 019
Cars, 1979	-1.6	6.2	0.7
Cars, 1978	5,054	2,631	7,685
% change	5,135	2,644	7,779
	-1.6	-0.5	-1.2
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979			
Short tons, 1978	32,640,773	28,797,548	61,438,321
Metric tonnes, 1979	31,157,153	28,369,070	59,526,223
Metric tonnes, 1978	29 611 211	26 124 696	55 735 907
% change	28 265 294	25 735 987	54 001 281
Cars, 1979	4.8	1.5	3.2
Cars, 1978	532,034	423,938	955,972
% change	518,968	426,805	945,773
	2.5	-0.7	1.1
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979			
Short tons, 1978	2,236,737	864,804	3,101,541
Metric tonnes, 1979	2,275,992	817,246	3,093,238
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 029 134	784 537	2 813 671
% change	2 064 745	741 393	2 806 138
Cars, 1979	-1.7	5.8	0.3
Cars, 1978	68,132	33,127	101,259
% change	68,024	32,770	100,794
	0.2	1.1	0.5

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended April 7, 1979 —
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Railways in Canada loaded 4.3 million t (4.8 million short tons) of revenue freight in the first week of April, an increase of 18.6% over the corresponding 1978 period. Eastern loadings rose 40.4% (an increase mainly attributable to depressed carryings of iron ore a year earlier as a result of strikes at Newfoundland and Quebec mines). Western loadings were up 0.7% from 1978.

Container-trailer (piggyback) traffic (included in total loadings above) was down 1.6% in the East but rose 6.2% in the West for an over-all gain of 0.7%.

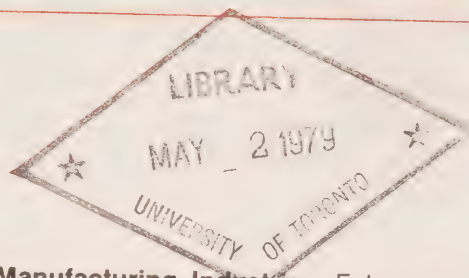
In the January 1 to April 7, 1979 period, Canadian rail freight loadings aggregated 55.7 million t (61.4 million

short tons), a year-over-year increase of 3.2%. Cars loaded numbered 955,972, a 1.1% gain and piggyback movements rose by 0.3%.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries

(Based on 1975 Census of Manufacturers Benchmarks)

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Feb. 1979p	Jan. 1979r	Dec. 1978	Feb. 1978
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total	11,477.7	11,432.0	11,209.9	9,356.3
Non-durable	6,166.3	6,183.2	6,093.8	5,119.2
Durable	5,311.4	5,248.7	5,116.1	4,237.1
New Orders: Total	11,995.0	12,103.0	11,540.1	9,596.2
Non-durable	6,177.8	6,248.1	6,126.0	5,162.6
Durable	5,817.3	5,854.9	5,414.1	4,433.6
Unfilled Orders: Total	14,698.3	14,180.9	13,509.9	10,842.7
Non-durable	1,856.8	1,845.3	1,780.5	1,389.8
Durable	12,841.5	12,335.6	11,729.4	9,452.9
Inventory Owned: Total	21,945.1	21,408.6	20,746.0	19,336.8
Inventory Held: Total	22,914.2	22,339.8	21,674.7	20,376.1
Raw materials	9,188.0	9,052.1	9,013.2	8,130.4
Goods in process	6,250.0	6,108.9	5,822.1	5,378.1
Finished Products	7,476.2	7,178.8	6,839.4	6,867.6
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Shipments: Total	12,186.2	12,079.5	12,102.4	9,904.7
Non-durable	6,494.6	6,562.4	6,442.2	5,400.1
Durable	5,691.6	5,517.1	5,660.2	4,504.6
New Orders: Total	12,558.7	12,516.5	12,470.3	10,087.4
Non-durable	6,494.4	6,625.4	6,491.6	5,450.6
Durable	6,064.3	5,891.1	5,978.7	4,636.8
Unfilled Orders: Total	14,550.5	14,178.0	13,741.0	10,673.1
Non-durable	1,887.3	1,887.5	1,824.5	1,413.4
Durable	12,663.2	12,290.5	11,916.5	9,259.7
Inventory Owned: Total	21,632.6	21,289.9	20,740.0	19,107.5
Inventory Held: Total	22,605.1	22,230.3	21,693.8	20,150.4
Raw materials	9,203.2	9,013.9	8,828.3	8,132.6
Goods in process	6,134.1	6,064.2	5,880.5	5,319.6
Finished products	7,267.8	7,152.2	6,985.0	6,698.2
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	1.78	1.76	1.71	1.93
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.60	0.59	0.58	0.68

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, February 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates show manufacturers' shipments in February 1979, seasonally adjusted, were valued at \$12,186.2 million, up 0.9% from the revised January level of \$12,079.5 million. Durable goods industries' shipments increased 3.2% to \$5,691.6 million from \$5,517.1 million while non-durable goods industries' shipments dropped 1.0% to \$6,494.6 million from \$6,562.4 million.

New orders in all manufacturing industries, seasonally adjusted, rose 0.3% to an estimated \$12,558.7 million in February from \$12,516.5 million (revised) in January. Durable goods new orders increased 2.9% to \$6,064.3 million from \$5,891.1 million while non-durable goods new orders decreased 2.0% to \$6,494.4 million from \$6,625.4 million.

Unfilled orders in all manufacturing industries, seasonally adjusted, rose 2.6% in February to \$14,550.5 million from the revised \$14,178.0 million estimate for January.

Total inventory owned, seasonally adjusted, was estimated at \$21,632.6 million in February, 1.6% higher than the revised January estimate of \$21,289.9 million. Total inventory held, seasonally adjusted, rose 1.7% in February to \$22,605.1 million from January's revised

\$22,230.3 million with increases of 2.1%, 1.2% and 1.6% in raw materials, goods in process and finished products, respectively.

The seasonally-adjusted ratio of total inventory owned to shipments rose to 1.78:1 in February from 1.76:1 (revised) in January. The finished products to shipments ratio moved up to 0.60:1 from 0.59:1 (revised) in the preceding month.

Not adjusted for seasonal variation, manufacturers' shipments in February at an estimated \$11,477.7 million were 0.4% higher than the revised January level of \$11,432.0 million.

For further information, order the February issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Feb. 1979p	Jan. 1979r	Not Seasonally Adjusted % change	Jan.-Feb. 1979	Jan.-Feb. 1978	% change
	(\$ millions)			(\$ millions)		
Newfoundland	59.2	59.4	-0.4	118.6	97.0	22.2
Nova Scotia	227.4	241.0	-5.6	468.4	397.4	17.9
New Brunswick	224.7	250.3	-10.2	475.1	319.0	48.9
Quebec	3,062.6	2,929.2	4.6	5,991.8	4,854.2	23.4
Ontario	5,768.9	5,759.0	0.2	11,527.9	9,139.7	26.1
Manitoba	281.3	270.9	3.8	552.2	476.8	15.8
Saskatchewan	145.5	145.5	—	290.9	218.4	33.2
Alberta	616.8	637.8	-3.3	1,254.7	1,029.1	21.9
British Columbia	1,078.1	1,126.7	-4.3	2,204.8	1,754.8	25.6
Canada*	11,477.7	11,432.0	0.4	22,909.6	18,305.8	25.1

*Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding.

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, January 1979 — Advance Information

Crude petroleum production for January averaged 240 900 cubic metres a day (1,515,900 barrels/day), up 10.5% from 218 000 cubic metres/day (1,371,800 barrels/day) in January 1978.

Net new production of natural gas for the latest period averaged 335 100 thousand cubic metres/day (11,828,300 thousand cubic feet/day), up 6.2% from 315 500 thousand cubic metres/day (11,138,400 thousand cubic feet/day) in January 1978.

For further information, order the January issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact George Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, April 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Stocks of fruits, frozen and in preservatives, in storages and factories on April 1 totalled 36.4 million pounds compared with 29.9 million last year. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 108.4 million pounds (92.4 million in 1978).

For further information, order the April issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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26-006 (30¢/\$3) Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, December 1978



Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Feb. 1979f	Jan. 1979p (\$ millions)	Dec. 1978p	Feb. 1978
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture, Fishing and Trapping	76.9	71.8	84.3	58.6
Forestry	99.6	103.5	112.9	97.8
Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells	273.4	270.7	265.6	254.6
Manufacturing Industries	2,425.7	2,402.2	2,353.2	2,152.9
Construction Industry	630.9	619.2	659.1	643.4
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	1,091.9	1,090.2	1,092.0	1,001.1
Trade	1,358.5	1,361.1	1,405.9	1,244.1
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	716.3	717.9	706.2	630.4
Commercial and Personal Service	977.3	968.2	966.1	884.1
Education and Related Services	1,124.8	1,120.6	1,104.4	1,051.7
Health and Welfare Services	647.3	645.8	650.2	603.0
Federal Administration and Other Government Offices	412.9	399.4	410.5	372.1
Provincial Administration	304.8	302.8	321.2	282.0
Local Administration	243.4	248.6	259.2	220.3
Total Wages and Salaries	10,383.7	10,322.0	10,390.6	9,496.0
Supplementary Labour Income	857.9	852.7	858.5	777.8
Labour Income	11,241.6	11,174.7	11,249.1	10,273.8
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture, Fishing and Trapping	124.2	112.1	111.5	97.1
Forestry	109.6	114.5	123.7	107.6
Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells	275.6	271.5	267.5	256.6
Manufacturing Industries	2,480.6	2,459.3	2,395.4	2,201.8
Construction Industry	742.8	738.9	750.2	757.9
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	1,118.7	1,114.3	1,115.4	1,025.7
Trade	1,396.0	1,386.0	1,357.0	1,278.5
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	718.7	723.9	717.5	632.3
Commercial and Personal Service	1,008.2	996.9	990.5	911.9
Education and Related Services	1,065.6	1,064.3	1,065.2	991.5
Health and Welfare Services	682.4	674.1	676.8	606.2
Federal Administration and Other Government Offices	418.0	408.3	418.6	376.8
Provincial Administration	311.9	309.3	319.5	288.6
Local Administration	250.7	250.8	257.8	226.9
Total Wages and Salaries	10,703.0	10,624.2	10,566.7	9,759.2
Supplementary Labour Income	884.2	877.1	873.1	799.4
Labour Income	11,587.1	11,501.4	11,439.8	10,558.5

f First Estimate

p Preliminary Estimate

r Revised Estimate

Estimates of Labour Income, February 1979 — Advance Information

Labour income for the month of February was estimated at \$11.2 billion, an increase of \$967.8 million or 9.4% from February 1978.

Adjusted for seasonal variation, wages and salaries increased by \$78.8 million between January and February to \$10.7 billion.

Detailed estimates will be published in the January-March issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, \$1.05/\$4.20), or may be obtained upon request from Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8431), Labour Income Section, Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Feb. 1979f (\$ millions)	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978p
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Newfoundland	144.5	146.1	147.0
Prince Edward Island	28.2	27.5	28.1
Nova Scotia	266.2	268.3	274.9
New Brunswick	207.3	208.8	213.4
Quebec	2,555.4	2,533.9	2,563.6
Ontario	4,266.0	4,236.0	4,240.3
Manitoba	400.1	398.7	403.7
Saskatchewan	303.0	304.9	313.3
Alberta	933.1	929.9	943.0
British Columbia	1,243.6	1,231.7	1,225.0
Yukon, Northwest Territories	36.4	36.2	38.3
Total Wages and Salaries	10,383.7	10,322.0	10,390.6
Supplementary Labour Income	857.9	852.7	858.5
Labour Income	11,241.6	11,174.7	11,249.1
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Newfoundland	153.7	155.3	152.0
Prince Edward Island	31.2	30.1	29.5
Nova Scotia	277.5	280.3	277.9
New Brunswick	220.0	219.4	220.4
Quebec	2,622.5	2,553.6	2,611.4
Ontario	4,387.4	4,366.8	4,286.7
Manitoba	415.5	414.0	412.9
Saskatchewan	317.7	321.5	319.2
Alberta	960.4	963.9	961.2
British Columbia	1,279.0	1,281.1	1,255.5
Yukon, Northwest Territories	37.9	38.3	39.9
Total Wages and Salaries	10,703.0	10,624.2	10,566.7
Supplementary Labour Income	884.2	877.1	873.1
Labour Income	11,587.1	11,501.4	11,439.8

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Key Economic Series, May 1979

During the coming month, the release of Key Economic Series data is expected to be in accordance with the schedule outlined below. Where a range of dates is given for a series, this represents the period within which publication of the data can be reasonably expected, the variability taking account of circumstances peculiar to each series. Any range may be exceeded on rare occasions, for reasons unpredictable at this time.

April 23 to May 4: Unemployment Insurance Statistics, month of February;

May 3 to 15: Building Permits, month of February;

May 4: Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, month of March;

May 4 to 9: Industry Selling Price Index, month of March;

May 15: Labour Force Survey, month of April;

May 16 to 18: Wholesale Trade, month of March;

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May 18: The Consumer Price Index, month of April;

May 18 to 24: Retail Trade, month of March;

May 24 to 30: Index of Industrial Production, month of March;

May 24 to 31: Real Domestic Product, month of March;

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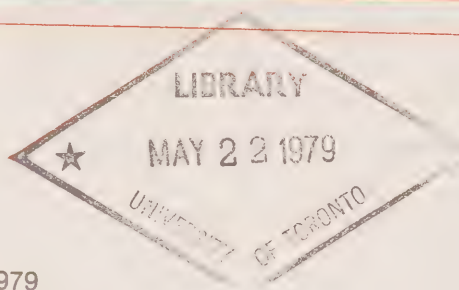
Notice of advance information availability: *Field Crop Reporting Series*, No. 4, Telegraphic Crop Report — Canada, to be released May 10 at 3 p.m., E.D.S.T.; *Field Crop Reporting Series*, No. 5, Telegraphic Crop Report — Prairie Provinces, to be released May 17 at 3 p.m., E.D.S.T.; *Field Crop Reporting Series*, No. 6, Telegraphic Crop Report — Canada, to be released May 31 at 3 p.m., E.D.S.T.

It should be noted that the June schedule of Key Economic Series will appear in the *Daily* and on CANSIM on May 29, 1979. The schedule of Key Economic Series is now available on CANSIM, and can be retrieved by using the command "DATES". The schedule will be issued once each month as noted above.

For any enquiry concerning the release of these series, contact Henri Sarrazin (613-992-1566), Production Planning and Scheduling Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Real Domestic Product, February 1979 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted Index of Real Domestic Product (1971=100) increased 0.2% to 136.8 in February from 136.5 in January. The index of industrial production advanced 0.7%. Output of goods-producing industries increased 0.5%, while service-producing industries were relatively unchanged from the January level.

Goods-producing industries recorded the fourth consecutive monthly increase, with gains in agriculture, construction, mining, utilities and manufacturing. Forestry and fishing and trapping declined in February. Agriculture output advanced mainly on the strength of increased dairy production. The mining industry recorded the most significant monthly increase since August 1978, with major production gains in iron mines, crude petroleum and natural gas, and asbestos mines (production in asbestos mines had been affected by several strikes which began in September and terminated in mid-January). Increases in output of both electric power and gas distribution accounted for the gain in utilities. In February, construction output increased slightly to record the first monthly advance since April 1978 — increased residential building activity accounted for the gain. Manufacturing activity in February was just slightly ahead of the January level, with non-durable manufacturing up 0.2%, and durable manufacturing unchanged from the previous month. Some significant movements were recorded among manufacturers of tobacco products, rubber and plastic products, metal fabricating and machinery industries, and chemicals and chemical products.

There was little growth in service-producing industries during February — the only sectors increasing were trade and finance, insurance and real estate services. Community, business and personal services were unchanged from the January level, while transportation, storage and communication services, and public administration and defence services declined. In trade, both wholesale and retail trade were up substantially. In wholesale trade, significant gains were recorded among wholesalers of automotive parts and accessories, construction materials and supplies, and industrial and transportation equipment. In retail trade, major increases were recorded in food stores, motor vehicle dealers, and furniture, television, radio and appliance stores; department stores and clothing stores declined. Finance, insurance and real estate services advanced slightly, with insurance and real estate service accounting for the gain. Transportation, storage and communication services declined sharply in February. Some major industries that declined were: air, railway and bus transport, and grain elevators. Railway transport recorded the most significant decline, with adverse weather conditions during the month cited as hampering the movement of freight across the country. Bus transport was affected by several labour disputes and shutdowns. The decline in grain elevators was related to the railway transport problem and also the availability of hopper cars. Pipeline transport increased sharply during the month, and communication services recorded a marginal increase. Community, business and personal services

were unchanged from the January level, although minor increases were recorded in amusement and recreation services, and personal services; accommodation and food service declined. Public administration and defence services declined during the month with federal and provincial administration services accounting for the decrease.

For further information, order the February issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)*, (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Employment, Earnings and Hours (Seasonally Adjusted), February 1979 — Advance Information

The first estimates of the Canada industrial composite* index of employment (1961=100) for February 1979 showed a 0.3% increase over January. Forestry, mining (including milling) and construction were the only industry divisions not participating in the increase; the Atlantic region (which showed no change) was the only region not showing an increase.

Average weekly earnings showed a marginal (0.2%) increase at the national industrial composite level. Mining (including milling), manufacturing, transportation, communication and other utilities, and service increased while the remaining industry divisions declined. On a regional basis, the Atlantic region, Ontario and British Columbia rose while the others declined.

Average hourly earnings rose in mining (including milling), in manufacturing and in construction. Average weekly hours declined in all three industry divisions.

* *Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious organizations, private households and public administration and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year. Notes on concepts and methods can be found in any issue of Employment, Earnings and Hours.*

Detailed information for December and January will be published in the February issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7), and is also available from R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1978		1979		% Change
		Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	
Real Domestic Product	100.00	135.5	135.9	136.5	136.8	0.2
Agriculture	3.371	108.8	109.4	110.3	110.9	0.5
Forestry	.802	152.5	135.9	141.3	130.9	-7.4
Fishing and Trapping	.178	100.9	102.9	99.5	93.4	-6.1
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	104.6	106.8	107.2	111.2	3.7
Manufacturing industries	22.753	138.9	140.7	141.7	141.9	0.1
Construction industry	6.990	108.8	107.2	105.4	105.8	0.4
Transportation, storage and communication	9.050	143.9	146.2	146.2	144.8	-1.0
Transportation	5.991	129.3	132.0	130.8	128.7	-1.6
<i>Air transport and services incidental to air transport</i>	<i>.671</i>	<i>193.1</i>	<i>194.9</i>	<i>199.4</i>	<i>198.4</i>	<i>-0.5</i>
<i>Railway transport</i>	<i>1.815</i>	<i>122.9</i>	<i>125.9</i>	<i>123.6</i>	<i>115.8</i>	<i>-6.3</i>
<i>Bus transport, interurban and rural</i>	<i>.089</i>	<i>127.4</i>	<i>127.4</i>	<i>115.5</i>	<i>103.5</i>	<i>-10.4</i>
<i>Urban transit systems</i>	<i>.250</i>	<i>117.2</i>	<i>122.5</i>	<i>114.8</i>	<i>112.9</i>	<i>-1.7</i>
<i>Pipeline transport</i>	<i>.486</i>	<i>121.4</i>	<i>127.0</i>	<i>127.5</i>	<i>135.5</i>	<i>6.3</i>
Storage	.258	107.4	113.9	118.0	114.5	-3.0
<i>Grain elevators</i>	<i>.177</i>	<i>89.9</i>	<i>98.8</i>	<i>105.0</i>	<i>98.8</i>	<i>-5.9</i>
Communication	2.801	178.5	179.6	181.7	182.2	0.3
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.658	159.0	161.0	164.7	168.6	2.4
Trade	11.561	139.8	139.8	141.4	142.7	0.9
<i>Wholesale trade</i>	<i>4.756</i>	<i>131.8</i>	<i>130.3</i>	<i>134.2</i>	<i>135.7</i>	<i>1.1</i>
<i>Wholesale merchants</i>	<i>3.498</i>	<i>133.5</i>	<i>131.9</i>	<i>135.8</i>	<i>138.0</i>	<i>1.6</i>
<i>Retail trade</i>	<i>6.805</i>	<i>145.5</i>	<i>146.5</i>	<i>146.4</i>	<i>147.6</i>	<i>0.8</i>
<i>Food stores</i>	<i>1.299</i>	<i>112.7</i>	<i>116.8</i>	<i>113.0</i>	<i>115.8</i>	<i>2.5</i>
<i>General merchandise stores</i>	<i>1.413</i>	<i>156.1</i>	<i>154.5</i>	<i>147.3</i>	<i>144.3</i>	<i>-2.0</i>
<i>Department stores</i>	<i>.889</i>	<i>183.8</i>	<i>182.3</i>	<i>172.8</i>	<i>170.6</i>	<i>-1.3</i>
<i>Other general merchandise stores</i>	<i>.524</i>	<i>109.0</i>	<i>107.4</i>	<i>104.0</i>	<i>99.8</i>	<i>-4.0</i>
<i>Motor vehicle dealers</i>	<i>.811</i>	<i>144.7</i>	<i>146.0</i>	<i>161.4</i>	<i>168.1</i>	<i>4.2</i>
<i>Clothing stores</i>	<i>.434</i>	<i>134.6</i>	<i>137.0</i>	<i>140.5</i>	<i>140.7</i>	<i>0.1</i>
<i>Hardware stores</i>	<i>.101</i>	<i>114.0</i>	<i>108.8</i>	<i>110.1</i>	<i>111.9</i>	<i>1.6</i>
<i>Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores</i>	<i>.216</i>	<i>141.7</i>	<i>149.9</i>	<i>155.6</i>	<i>158.0</i>	<i>1.5</i>
<i>Drug stores</i>	<i>.301</i>	<i>186.2</i>	<i>194.0</i>	<i>190.8</i>	<i>185.1</i>	<i>-3.0</i>
Finance, insurance and real estate	11.853	153.3	152.8	152.5	153.0	0.3
Community, business and personal service industries	19.539	134.7	134.7	135.7	135.7	—
<i>Education and related services</i>	<i>6.478</i>	<i>111.4</i>	<i>109.5</i>	<i>110.4</i>	<i>110.5</i>	<i>0.1</i>
<i>Health and welfare services</i>	<i>5.318</i>	<i>126.4</i>	<i>127.1</i>	<i>127.6</i>	<i>127.8</i>	<i>0.2</i>
<i>Amusement and recreation services</i>	<i>.536</i>	<i>169.7</i>	<i>170.4</i>	<i>174.0</i>	<i>176.3</i>	<i>1.3</i>
<i>Services to business management</i>	<i>2.373</i>	<i>192.8</i>	<i>194.7</i>	<i>195.9</i>	<i>196.4</i>	<i>0.3</i>
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1.021</i>	<i>118.7</i>	<i>119.7</i>	<i>120.0</i>	<i>120.5</i>	<i>0.4</i>
<i>Accommodation and food services</i>	<i>2.588</i>	<i>154.2</i>	<i>155.6</i>	<i>157.4</i>	<i>155.8</i>	<i>-1.0</i>
Public administration and defence	7.425	125.0	124.3	124.4	124.1	-0.2
Special groupings:						
<i>Index of industrial production</i>	<i>29.230</i>	<i>136.2</i>	<i>138.2</i>	<i>139.3</i>	<i>140.3</i>	<i>0.7</i>
<i>Real domestic product less agriculture</i>	<i>96.629</i>	<i>136.4</i>	<i>136.8</i>	<i>137.4</i>	<i>137.7</i>	<i>0.2</i>
<i>Goods-producing industries</i>	<i>40.572</i>	<i>129.4</i>	<i>130.2</i>	<i>130.9</i>	<i>131.5</i>	<i>0.5</i>
<i>Goods-producing industries less agriculture</i>	<i>37.201</i>	<i>131.3</i>	<i>132.1</i>	<i>132.8</i>	<i>133.4</i>	<i>0.5</i>
<i>Service-producing industries</i>	<i>59.428</i>	<i>139.6</i>	<i>139.8</i>	<i>140.4</i>	<i>140.5</i>	<i>0.1</i>
<i>Commercial industries</i>	<i>81.308</i>	<i>139.4</i>	<i>140.1</i>	<i>140.8</i>	<i>141.2</i>	<i>0.3</i>
<i>Commercial industries less agriculture</i>	<i>77.937</i>	<i>140.7</i>	<i>141.4</i>	<i>142.1</i>	<i>142.5</i>	<i>0.3</i>
<i>Non-commercial industries</i>	<i>18.692</i>	<i>118.5</i>	<i>117.7</i>	<i>118.0</i>	<i>118.0</i>	<i>—</i>
<i>Non-durable manufacturing industries</i>	<i>11.324</i>	<i>137.6</i>	<i>138.1</i>	<i>139.8</i>	<i>140.1</i>	<i>0.2</i>
<i>Durable manufacturing industries</i>	<i>11.429</i>	<i>140.1</i>	<i>143.3</i>	<i>143.6</i>	<i>143.6</i>	<i>—</i>

Employment, Earnings and Hours, Advance Data

February 1979

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Employment Index Number									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations						Seasonally adjusted			
	Feb. 1979f	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978r	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Feb. 1979f	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978r
	1961=100									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	366.39	363.89	272.44	355.75	342.28	328.73	345.23	354.12	324.87	346.60
Mining, including milling	413.70	408.15	391.78	397.15	373.01	367.90	409.64	403.59	390.61	392.44
Manufacturing	302.85	301.03	291.89	296.84	280.19	273.32	301.13	300.01	296.76	295.80
Durable Goods	323.34	321.91	312.28	319.11	299.54	288.88	321.60	320.92	319.28	316.73
Non-durable Goods	282.48	280.44	271.74	274.93	261.51	258.28	280.91	279.38	274.90	275.67
Construction	397.43	394.59	371.72	401.26	377.99	361.29	396.83	398.13	411.83	398.23
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	329.63	329.17	324.38	323.33	306.11	306.64	327.14	326.88	326.93	323.82
Trade	209.85	209.04	204.54	203.35	196.37	193.96	211.67	212.03	205.59	206.87
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	260.25	259.81	257.03	253.98	240.05	239.62	259.11	260.49	259.13	257.64
Service	188.97	188.00	185.12	184.24	174.98	174.85	189.56	186.77	185.99	185.73
Industrial Composite	278.19	276.87	269.01	273.30	258.85	255.26	277.96	277.40	274.75	273.41
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	246.76	246.32	236.77	239.53	228.06	228.69	245.17	243.66	242.10	240.93
Newfoundland	265.77	267.37	251.97	260.17	247.82	248.21	262.02	264.51	261.76	261.74
Prince Edward Island	206.02	206.84	199.52	202.10	191.34	195.28
Nova Scotia	236.34	234.83	226.57	229.94	219.08	219.88	235.92	233.48	231.38	231.96
New Brunswick	252.02	251.38	243.74	242.17	230.33	230.29	248.15	245.08	247.63	243.22
Quebec	273.84	272.07	266.59	270.41	255.65	253.49	272.88	273.63	271.70	269.76
Ontario	277.10	275.63	267.99	271.88	258.27	251.76	277.49	275.82	274.05	272.18
Prairie Region	276.54	275.82	266.68	270.73	254.64	252.48	275.77	276.19	272.40	271.41
Manitoba	250.17	249.71	244.45	246.17	233.13	229.95	251.91	251.19	248.12	248.46
Saskatchewan	265.10	263.02	257.28	257.84	240.41	239.52	266.19	265.06	259.30	258.59
Alberta	292.66	292.22	280.35	286.69	269.79	268.03	290.31	291.40	288.57	287.06
British Columbia	313.13	312.19	300.67	309.74	291.60	289.50	314.23	313.04	310.29	309.03
Yukon	370.34	377.63	373.43	367.55	347.46	361.96
Northwest Territories	323.64	326.53	316.58	317.91	294.35	298.72
Canada	278.19	276.87	269.01	273.30	258.85	255.26	277.96	277.40	274.75	273.41

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Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, February 1979 — Advance Information

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 1,041.9 million feet board measure (2 458.6 m³) of lumber and ties in February 1979, up from 1,028.6 million feet board measure (2 427.3 m³) a year earlier.

January to February production increased to 2,065.9 million feet board measure (4 875.0 m³) in 1979 from 2,048.0 million feet board measure (4 832.7 m³) in 1978.

For further information, order the February issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Radio Broadcasting, January 1979 — Advance Information

Gross national AM and FM radio air-time sales were \$4.4 million in January, a decrease of 12.0% from \$5.0 million in January 1978. Net national sales after deduction of agency and other commissions amounted to \$3.8 million, down 11.6% from \$4.3 million a year earlier.

Net local air-time sales were up 7.5% to \$15.7 million in January from \$14.6 million.

For further information, order the January issue of *Radio Broadcasting* (56-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations						Seasonally adjusted			
	Feb. 1979f	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978r	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Feb. 1979f	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978r
	dollars									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	66.5	69.3	75.1	83.7	68.0	67.7	78.6	81.1	81.3	81.6
Mining, including milling	117.4	117.5	115.0	117.0	120.8	120.0	118.2	118.3	115.8	116.9
Manufacturing	128.0	127.5	127.3	129.3	123.2	122.9	131.4	130.7	129.9	129.2
Durable Goods	142.9	141.7	141.6	143.6	135.4	135.1	145.6	143.8	142.9	142.1
Non-durable Goods	116.0	116.0	115.7	117.7	113.3	113.0	119.6	119.9	119.6	118.6
Construction	80.3	81.8	88.5	100.2	87.0	89.3	93.4	94.8	97.5	96.3
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	130.5	130.2	131.5	133.7	127.4	125.9	134.2	134.0	134.5	135.1
Trade	173.5	174.7	181.7	180.8	169.4	171.3	177.6	175.6	175.0	174.3
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	202.8	202.4	201.5	201.1	196.4	195.7	204.3	203.8	202.6	201.2
Service	256.3	255.4	256.2	260.6	251.2	247.0	266.3	266.2	265.2	262.8
Industrial Composite	144.6	144.6	146.3	148.7	141.3	140.9	149.3	148.9	148.1	147.5
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	127.3	127.9	131.4	135.6	123.0	123.2	137.0	137.0	135.3	134.0
Newfoundland	120.0	120.6	124.7	127.6	117.2	119.1	131.2	134.0	128.9	125.4
Prince Edward Island	145.4	143.0	150.6	150.5	136.4	132.4	169.0	163.8	160.8	151.7
Nova Scotia	130.3	130.8	133.7	137.6	125.2	125.1	136.5	136.3	136.1	136.0
New Brunswick	126.8	127.7	131.0	137.3	122.8	122.6	138.0	137.3	136.3	136.5
Quebec	124.1	124.4	125.7	128.3	122.6	122.9	128.2	128.0	127.2	127.3
Ontario	150.5	150.3	151.6	153.6	146.8	146.7	154.4	153.8	153.1	152.2
Prairie Region	162.5	162.6	164.6	167.6	156.1	156.2	167.9	167.8	166.9	166.6
Manitoba	122.2	122.5	124.1	126.8	120.7	121.1	126.4	126.2	126.0	125.9
Saskatchewan	139.0	139.2	143.0	147.3	136.6	136.2	144.7	144.6	145.2	146.1
Alberta	205.4	205.2	206.9	209.6	193.3	193.0	211.7	212.1	209.7	208.8
British Columbia	170.8	170.2	172.5	174.4	168.6	163.9	175.4	175.0	174.1	174.1
Yukon	166.1	166.1	171.6	179.6	179.0	172.4	175.6	177.7	180.7	186.2
Northwest Territories	144.7	146.1	146.8	144.6	144.5	142.1	156.4	159.6	161.4	153.1
Canada	144.6	144.6	146.3	148.7	141.3	140.9	149.3	148.9	148.1	147.5

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Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Hours and Average Hourly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Feb. 1979f	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978r	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Feb. 1979f	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978r
					number					
Average Weekly Hours:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	41.7	41.8	40.0	41.5	41.1	40.6	41.2	41.3	40.1	40.9
Manufacturing	39.1	39.0	38.3	39.4	39.0	37.8	38.9	39.1	39.3	39.0
Durable Goods	40.0	39.8	39.2	40.3	39.8	38.2	39.8	39.8	40.4	39.8
Non-durable Goods	38.2	38.1	37.4	38.4	38.1	37.5	38.1	38.1	38.3	38.2
Construction	37.7	37.5	35.7	38.9	38.0	36.3	38.1	38.4	40.1	38.8
Building	36.6	36.4	35.3	37.5	36.9	35.4	36.6	36.8	38.4	37.1
Engineering	40.8	40.6	36.6	41.9	40.6	38.3	41.6	41.9	43.5	41.8
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	38.3	38.3	37.0	38.2	38.4	38.4	37.9	37.9	38.4	38.5
Quebec	39.3	39.1	38.4	39.6	39.3	38.9	39.2	39.0	39.5	39.1
Ontario	39.8	39.5	38.9	40.1	39.5	37.5	39.8	39.5	39.9	39.8
Prairie Region	37.3	37.6	37.1	37.8	37.5	37.1	37.2	37.5	37.6	37.6
British Columbia	36.8	37.0	36.3	37.0	36.5	36.4	36.5	36.7	36.9	36.5
					dollars					
Average Hourly Earnings:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	9.34	9.30	9.23	9.14	8.60	8.50	9.33	9.30	9.15	9.10
Manufacturing	7.18	7.15	7.04	7.04	6.66	6.62	7.17	7.16	7.08	7.06
Durable Goods	7.62	7.62	7.49	7.52	7.10	7.03	7.61	7.62	7.56	7.53
Non-durable Goods	6.67	6.63	6.55	6.51	6.19	6.18	6.68	6.63	6.57	6.56
Construction	10.82	10.80	10.50	10.65	10.23	10.12	10.67	10.63	10.69	10.50
Building	10.91	10.92	10.74	10.85	10.06	9.99	10.88	10.87	10.92	10.69
Engineering	10.62	10.50	9.94	10.25	10.56	10.40	10.28	10.33	10.24	10.11
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	6.63	6.62	6.46	6.40	6.09	6.08	6.49	6.49	6.40	6.44
Quebec	6.54	6.51	6.41	6.40	6.05	6.03	6.55	6.52	6.45	6.42
Ontario	7.23	7.21	7.09	7.11	6.74	6.66	7.23	7.22	7.15	7.14
Prairie Region	7.14	7.14	7.09	7.08	6.66	6.61	7.21	7.20	7.12	7.07
British Columbia	9.32	9.32	9.23	9.24	8.68	8.71	9.32	9.27	9.19	9.22

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Residential Building Construction Input Price IndexesMarch 1979 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Mar. 1978	Mar. 79/ Feb. 79	% Change Mar. 79/ Mar. 78
Canada, Total	205.2	203.3	185.8	0.9	10.4
Materials	201.1	198.1	178.0	1.5	13.0
Labour	212.6	212.6	199.6	—	6.5
Atlantic Provinces, Total	213.9	212.3	194.2	0.7	10.1
Materials	199.3	196.9	178.5	1.2	11.7
Labour	239.0	239.0	221.3	—	8.0
Quebec, Total	210.2	208.6	188.8	0.8	11.3
Materials	209.2	206.7	184.6	1.2	13.3
Labour	212.0	212.0	196.8	—	7.7
Ontario, Total	198.4	196.7	179.3	0.9	10.7
Materials	195.8	193.1	172.4	1.4	13.6
Labour	202.7	202.7	191.0	—	6.1
Prairie Provinces, Total	213.3	211.0	196.6	1.1	8.5
Materials	202.1	198.6	183.4	1.8	10.2
Labour	235.1	235.1	222.1	—	5.9
British Columbia, Total	207.1	204.3	186.4	1.4	11.1
Materials	205.4	201.0	179.9	2.2	14.2
Labour	210.1	210.1	197.8	—	6.2

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mr. G.A. John (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Housing Starts, in Centres of 10,000 Population and Over (Dwelling Units)

March 1979 and 1978

	1978					1979				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	7	12	—	—	19	34	2	—	—	36
Prince Edward Island	—	—	—	—	—	7	—	—	91	98
Nova Scotia	74	4	1	125	204	59	11	16	214	300
New Brunswick	30	—	—	24	54	27	—	—	6	33
Quebec	892	104	6	2,067	3,069	687	192	13	290	1,182
Ontario	706	400	305	2,124	3,535	532	467	234	616	1,849
Manitoba	159	194	27	747	1,127	66	4	40	80	190
Saskatchewan	161	76	—	249	486	118	58	4	752	932
Alberta	922	290	741	1,416	3,369	824	140	415	1,038	2,417
British Columbia	674	144	175	925	1,918	725	62	103	207	1,097
Canada Unadjusted	3,625	1,224	1,255	7,677	13,781	3,079	936	825	3,294	8,134
	multiples					multiples				
Canada, adjusted annual rate (000's)	72.8	—	181.4	—	254.2	62.0	—	90.9	—	152.9
Canada Cumulative	10,238	3,718	4,505	22,039	40,500	9,663	2,196	3,073	11,238	26,170
Newfoundland	43	22	10	31	106	52	2	—	—	54
Prince Edward Island	9	—	—	—	9	9	—	—	134	143
Nova Scotia	296	16	18	330	660	192	17	16	286	511
New Brunswick	107	4	—	40	151	121	2	—	6	129
Quebec	2,253	279	65	5,651	8,248	2,320	522	49	1,964	4,855
Ontario	2,139	1,412	1,196	5,343	10,090	1,845	769	699	2,414	5,727
Manitoba	463	403	447	2,301	3,614	262	82	85	716	1,145
Saskatchewan	464	158	16	1,149	1,787	624	124	24	1,076	1,848
Alberta	2,516	968	2,169	4,314	9,967	2,395	537	1,686	3,210	7,828
British Columbia	1,948	456	584	2,880	5,868	1,843	141	514	1,432	3,930

For further information, order the March issue of *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact J.P. Delisle (613-995-8213), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Housing Starts, All Areas, by Province (Dwelling Units)

1st Quarter 1979 and 1978

	1978					1979				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	146	22	10	31	209	294	9	—	—	303
Prince Edward Island	193	8	24	12	237	96	—	—	134	230
Nova Scotia	503	16	18	369	906	299	17	36	306	658
New Brunswick	478	9	—	80	567	255	2	—	6	263
Quebec	2,785	284	81	5,893	9,043	2,604	578	49	2,248	5,479
Ontario	3,055	1,468	1,196	5,572	11,291	2,407	773	754	3,033	6,967
Manitoba	584	403	503	2,365	3,855	330	82	85	760	1,257
Saskatchewan	656	218	16	1,209	2,099	1,086	152	24	1,170	2,432
Alberta	3,518	1,124	2,453	5,130	12,225	3,909	711	1,739	3,640	9,999
British Columbia	2,425	465	616	3,259	6,765	2,307	143	514	1,472	4,436
Canada Unadjusted	14,343	4,017	4,917	23,920	47,197	13,587	2,467	3,201	12,769	32,024
Canada, adjusted annual rate (000's)					299.0					211.5

For further information, order the March 1979 issue of *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, 55¢ \$5.50), or contact J.P. D  lisle (613-994-9527), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Slaughtering and Meat Processors

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1011		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	467	430	-7.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	24,951	25,146	0.8
Man-hours paid	000's	52,715	52,395	-0.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	318,457	344,641	8.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	30,393	33,772	11.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	3,053,090	3,272,816	7.2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	3,989,997	4,258,368	6.7
Value added	\$000	787,734	835,446	6.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	33,237	33,275	0.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	440,097	478,529	8.7
Total value added	\$000	819,947	867,437	5.8

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Slaughtering and Meat Processors*, 1977 (32-221, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Sash, Door and Other Millwork Plants

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2541 and 2542		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	619	601	-2.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	11,300	10,628	-6.0
Man-hours paid	000's	23,844	22,475	-5.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	110,689	114,155	3.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	6,256	7,213	15.3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	323,114	334,146	3.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	567,400	587,575	3.6
Value added	\$000	245,873	252,461	2.7
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	13,576	13,016	-4.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	145,541	152,118	4.5
Total value added	\$000	254,367	263,149	3.5

For further information, contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-5140), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Sash, Door and Other Millwork Plants*, 1977 (35-205, \$1.05).

Total Value of Construction Work Performed — Type of Structure by New and Repair, Canada, 1977 Actual* **

Type of Structure	New	Repair	Total
(thousands of dollars)			
Construction — Total	30,130,466	5,672,952	35,803,418
Building Construction — Total	17,784,892	3,521,883	21,306,775
Residential	11,064,680	2,060,918	13,125,598
Industrial	1,268,260	460,473	1,728,733
Commercial	3,178,905	459,778	3,638,683
Institutional	1,390,836	270,850	1,661,686
Other building construction	882,211	269,864	1,152,075
Engineering Construction — Total	12,345,574	2,151,069	14,496,643
Marine construction	169,953	72,170	242,123
Road, highway and airport runways	2,205,964	485,433	2,691,397
Waterworks and sewage systems	1,520,328	148,513	1,668,841
Dams and irrigation	125,501	28,401	153,902
Electric power construction	3,182,676	218,437	3,401,113
Railway, telephone and telegraph	884,311	471,544	1,355,855
Gas and oil facilities	2,269,380	454,834	2,724,214
Other engineering construction	1,987,461	271,737	2,259,198

* In the Statistics Canada report *Private and Public Investment in Canada*, the total value of construction work performed is given as \$35,803.7 million for 1977. The difference in this report is due to rounding procedures.

** "Other building" and "Other engineering" contain structures which could not be published in their specific categories due to the secrecy provisions of the Statistics Act.

Construction in Canada, 1977 — Advance Information

The Canadian construction program for 1977 at a level of \$35,803.4 million exceeded the 1976 volume by \$2,672.2 million or 8.1%. (The construction total of \$33,131.2 million for 1976 increased 16.8% from \$28,376.3 million in 1975, which was, in turn, up 14.9% from 1974.) The increase for 1977 is higher than the 7.9% that was anticipated last year for 1977 but amounted in terms of constant dollar volume to an increase of only 0.1%.

An analysis of the total value of work put in place in 1977 by the various industries reveals some significant variations from 1976. The mining sector showed the largest percentage increase (18.9%) in 1977 followed by manufacturing (16.6%) and agriculture and fishing (14.8%). The commercial services sector showed a significant decrease (36.7%), due primarily to the completion of the the Olympic Games.

Expenditures in all provinces except Newfoundland and New Brunswick increased in 1977 with notable advances of 18.4% in Prince Edward Island, 17.8% in Alberta, 10.0% in Saskatchewan, and 8.5% in Manitoba. In Newfoundland and New Brunswick, expenditures dropped by 15.0% and 2.2%, respectively.

In 1977, new construction was up 7.1% while the repair portion showed an increase of 13.8%. The proportion of the complete program performed under contract during 1977 remained comparable to 1976 (81.8%). The value of engineering-type construction at 40.5% of the total estimated volume for 1977 was up 14.5% over 1976 while the building activity portion at 59.5% was up only 4.1% over the preceding year. The strength (in dollar volume) in the engineering group of structures was primarily due to projects classified under gas and oil facilities and electric power construction. As noted above, building construction rose by 4.1% with the largest dollar volume increases in residential buildings and industrial-type buildings such as factories, plants, mine and mine mill buildings, railway stations, etc.

For additional information concerning construction expenditures by sectors, provinces and by contract — own account breakdown, contact M. Hartley (613-995-8423), Construction Census Section, Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. The publication *Construction in Canada, 1977* (catalogue 64-201), which contains the tables accompanying this advance release, is scheduled to be released in May. Data users should note that due to recent government cutbacks, data by type of structure for the preliminary and forecast years by sector and province have been dropped from this publication. Total construction spending for these years is still available by sector, industry, and province in *Private and Public Investment in Canada, Outlook 1979* (61-205) which was released in April and *Private and Public Investment in Canada, Mid-Year Review 1979* (61-206) to be released in mid-summer.

(see table on next page)

Total Value of Construction Work Performed — Labour Content and Cost of Materials Used, by Province, 1977 Actual (1), (2), (3)

	Labour Content		Cost of Materials Used	Value of Work Performed
	Number(3)	Value		
	(thousands of dollars)			
Canada	636,854	12,147,939	13,258,725	35,803,418
Newfoundland	13,799	228,292	233,420	623,115
Prince Edward Island	3,060	42,132	49,143	118,969
Nova Scotia	19,685	320,341	347,602	914,516
New Brunswick	21,024	314,887	316,606	873,745
Quebec	147,872	2,845,539	3,050,286	8,589,854
Ontario	205,662	3,695,312	4,053,774	10,613,635
Manitoba	25,878	478,241	509,554	1,397,604
Saskatchewan	30,100	518,814	596,014	1,563,967
Alberta	90,451	2,020,414	2,234,860	6,124,788
British Columbia(2)	79,323	1,683,967	1,867,466	4,983,225

1) In the Statistics Canada report *Private and Public Investment in Canada*, the total value of construction work performed is given as \$35,803.7 million for 1977. The difference in this report is due to rounding procedures.

(2) British Columbia includes Yukon and Northwest Territories.

(3) Number of employees is given in equivalent man-years.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Dairy Products Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1040		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	491	466	-5.1
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	13,626	14,194	4.2
Man-hours paid	000's	29,033	29,552	1.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	158,403	178,563	12.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	39,652	45,250	14.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	2,131,084	2,328,993	9.8
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	2,811,178	3,082,715	9.7
Value added	\$000	637,593	726,752	14.0
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	26,280	26,550	1.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	323,547	352,517	9.0
Total value added	\$000	700,772	787,947	12.4

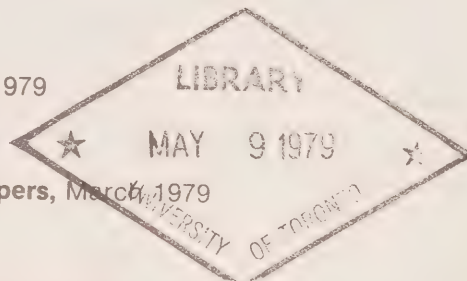
For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Dairy Products Industry, 1977* (32-209, 70¢).

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PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

- 21-001 (30¢/\$3) **Farm Cash Receipts**, January to February 1979
 - 21-002 (35¢/\$1.40) **Farm Wages in Canada**, February 1979
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25-001 (15¢/\$1.50) Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics, February 1979**41-011 (30¢/\$3) Production and Shipments of Steel Pipe, Tubing and Fittings, February 1979****63-008 (15¢/\$1.50) Wholesale Trade, February 1979****65-007 (80¢/\$8) Imports by Commodities, January 1979****Import and Domestic Export Price and Volume Indexes, February 1979 — Advance Information**

Import and export prices increased substantially in February, as the fixed-weight price indexes both increased more than 2% from their January levels. On a current-weighted basis the increases were 1%, or less.

Seasonally-adjusted import volume declined for the second month, bringing the index average for the first two months of 1979 to 167.2 compared with 168.1 for the fourth quarter of 1978. Export volume dropped sharply in February, with the result that the average index of 147.7 for the first two months was 2.6% lower than the fourth quarter 1978 level.

For further information, order the March issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

Import and Domestic Export Price and Volume Indexes**Price Indexes Weighted with Current Period Quantities**

(Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation
(1971=100))

	Imports	Domestic Exports
1976 Annual	157.5	177.3
1977 Annual	176.0	188.8
1978 Annual	199.6	204.6
1977		
III Quarter	180.2	192.7
IV Quarter	183.2	193.0
1978		
I Quarter	192.2	199.1
II Quarter	194.6	200.6
III Quarter	202.5	207.6
IV Quarter	210.8	212.1
1978		
September	202.9	207.9
October	207.7	209.5
November	214.1	213.2
December	210.6	214.7
1979		
January	216.6	223.7
February	218.1	226.0

Volume Indexes Weighted with 1971 Prices

Seasonally Adjusted
(1971=100)

	Imports	Domestic Exports
1976 Annual	152.2	120.7
1977 Annual	153.2	131.2
1978 Annual	157.8	143.9
1977		
III Quarter	150.9	128.3
IV Quarter	149.4	133.8
1978		
I Quarter	145.8	139.2
II Quarter	160.2	142.3
III Quarter	157.7	143.4
IV Quarter	168.1	151.7
1978		
September	164.5	159.3
October	164.9	145.8
November	165.2	157.9
December	174.1	151.5
1979		
January	170.6	154.3
February	163.8	141.1

Oil Pipeline Transport, February 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian oil pipe lines received 443 900 m3D of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in February, an increase of 11.2% from the 399 000 m3D received a year earlier. Receipts of domestic petroleum and products increased 14.3% to 398 300 m3D, while those of imported petroleum and products decreased 9.5% to 45 600 m3D.

For further information, order the February issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact George Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Advance Estimates of Employees

February 1979

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Number of Employees									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations						Seasonally adjusted			
	Feb. 1979f	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978r	Nov. 1978r	Feb. 1978 (000's)	Jan. 1978	Feb. 1979f	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978r	Nov. 1978r
Industry Division										
Forestry	57.6	60.3	63.5	70.0	55.5	56.7	67.8	69.6	69.4	68.3
Mining (including milling)	135.5	136.8	134.3	137.0	140.2	140.1	137.8	138.3	135.8	137.1
Manufacturing	1,808.9	1,800.8	1,799.5	1,835.1	1,730.7	1,733.3	1,857.5	1,850.4	1,841.9	1,833.5
Construction	379.7	377.4	389.1	458.7	365.3	372.7	447.7	442.3	443.8	445.3
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	792.1	789.0	795.9	810.4	773.3	771.2	815.5	810.9	812.3	813.4
Trade	1,467.3	1,466.2	1,507.5	1,511.8	1,415.2	1,433.5	1,495.8	1,484.8	1,475.5	1,482.5
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	490.9	491.4	486.8	491.8	483.2	485.9	495.5	494.9	488.9	491.4
Total Service	2,596.7	2,582.1	2,545.5	2,596.4	2,527.0	2,518.8	2,600.7	2,597.3	2,579.5	2,575.7
Non-commercial Service	1,468.7	1,449.5	1,423.4	1,455.3	1,442.8	1,420.6	1,425.5	1,419.5	1,414.1	1,419.0
Commercial Service	1,128.0	1,132.7	1,122.2	1,141.1	1,084.2	1,098.2	1,175.2	1,177.8	1,165.3	1,156.6
Public Administration and Defence(1)	614.3	612.4	612.8	619.2	619.1	607.4	627.2	630.6	630.7	632.3
Total Non-agricultural Industries(2)	8,350.9	8,324.4	8,344.7	8,540.5	8,114.5	8,123.9	8,559.9	8,531.4	8,491.5	8,492.2
Total Non-agricultural Industries										
Newfoundland	127.1	127.0	129.2	133.8	122.6	122.7	135.8	135.7	133.6	132.8
Prince Edward Island	28.6	28.0	29.2	30.2	27.3	26.3	31.5	30.8	30.7	30.6
Nova Scotia	243.1	242.1	244.3	249.5	231.9	232.1	253.4	252.7	249.9	247.8
New Brunswick	183.2	181.6	183.3	190.6	176.0	178.7	196.4	193.4	191.0	191.3
Quebec	2,100.3	2,092.3	2,088.6	2,154.8	2,047.8	2,061.9	2,153.6	2,142.5	2,135.9	2,143.6
Ontario	3,349.4	3,346.4	3,359.1	3,427.8	3,288.1	3,288.0	3,418.5	3,415.6	3,405.9	3,402.8
Manitoba	344.2	344.2	345.3	350.0	335.9	336.6	353.3	352.5	348.7	347.6
Saskatchewan	255.9	254.1	255.8	262.4	245.4	246.7	261.4	259.3	257.6	260.2
Alberta	766.6	764.6	762.1	778.1	724.6	724.4	782.8	780.9	770.7	773.3
British Columbia	921.7	913.9	915.5	930.5	888.2	880.8	934.8	931.8	929.8	925.9
Canada(3)	8,350.9	8,324.4	8,344.7	8,540.5	8,114.5	8,123.9	8,559.9	8,531.4	8,491.5	8,492.2

f first estimate based on a limited number of returns

p preliminary figures

r revised figures

(1) Excludes military personnel

(2) Includes Fishing and Trapping

(3) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories

Estimates of Employees, February 1979 — Advance Information

Monthly summary data are released on a regular basis in the *Statistics Canada Daily*, while detailed monthly information is published in catalogue 72-008, *Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry*, and is also available from Mr. G. Mahoney (613-995-6868), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

Report of Livestock Surveys, Pigs, April 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Total pig numbers in Canada (not including Newfoundland) at April 1, 1979, were estimated at 8,185,000, up 17% from the revised total for April 1, 1978. Numbers increased by 10% in the West and by 21% in the East.

For further information, order the April 1, 1979 *Report on Livestock Surveys, Pigs* (23-005, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact B. Rosien (613-995-4863), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

New Housing Price Indexes

(1976=100)

	Weights	March 1979	February 1979	March 1978	% change	
					Mar./79 Feb./79	Mar./79 Mar./78
St. John's	1.0	104.8	104.8	101.7	—	3.0
Halifax	1.7	102.3	102.3	102.2	—	0.1
Quebec	3.6	127.6	126.3	115.9	1.0	10.1
Montreal	9.5	109.9	109.6	105.0	0.3	4.7
Ottawa-Hull	5.7	100.9	100.9	100.9	—	—
Toronto	21.2	98.1	98.4	99.7	-0.3	-1.6
Hamilton	4.2	103.6	103.6	104.0	—	-0.4
St. Catharines-Niagara	2.3	114.6	114.6	112.8	—	1.6
Kitchener	2.9	101.2	102.9	102.0	-1.7	-0.8
London	2.4	112.7	111.1	108.5	1.4	3.9
Windsor	1.0	130.1	127.8	110.9	1.8	17.3
Thunder Bay	0.9	119.0	119.0	114.7	—	3.7
Winnipeg	3.7	110.9	110.9	110.1	—	0.7
Regina	2.3	100.9	100.9	98.4	—	2.5
Saskatoon	1.9	118.4	115.9	111.9	2.2	5.8
Calgary	9.9	121.3	119.7	114.5	1.3	5.9
Edmonton	9.8	119.8	119.8	110.9	—	8.0
Vancouver	10.6	98.9	97.7	97.9	1.2	1.0
Victoria	1.9	95.0	95.2	95.8	-0.2	-0.8
Canada Composite (22 cities)	100.0*	108.0	107.6	104.9	0.4	3.0
Canada Composite (House Only)		105.8	105.4	103.4	0.4	2.3
Canada Composite (Land Only)		113.2	112.9	108.7	0.3	4.1

* Surveys in New Brunswick, Sudbury and Prince George account for the remaining weight.

For further details on the changes in these indexes, contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile, March 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 4,271 short tons (3 875 t) or 8,728,119 square feet (810 869 m²) of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in March compared to 3,689 short tons (3 347 t) or 7,536,969 square feet (700 207 m²) in March 1978.

For further information, order the March issue of *Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles* (47-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Rod Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

The Dairy Review, February 1979 — Advance Information

An estimated 442 977 kilolitres of milk were sold off farms for all purposes in February, an increase of 4.8% from February 1978.

This brought production during the two months of 1979 to an estimated 932 076 kilolitres of milk, up 4.6% from the January-February 1978 period.

For further information, order the March issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact C.M. Riach (613-995-4858), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, March 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,779,762,000 square feet (165 345 000 m²) of corrugated boxes and wrappers in March, an increase of 14.3% from 1,557,466,000 square feet (144 693 000 m²) a year earlier.

January to March shipments totalled 4,897,080,000 square feet (454 954 000 m²) in 1979 compared to 4,317,133,000 square feet (401 076 000 m²) in 1978.

For further information, order the March issue of *Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending April 14, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,110,948	2,020,020	4,130,968
Short tons, 1978	1,863,545	2,308,597	4,172,142
Metric tonnes, 1979	1 915 020	1 832 531	3 747 551
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 690 580	2 094 324	3 784 904
% change	13.3	-12.5	-1.0
Cars, 1979	34,808	29,367	64,175
Cars, 1978	35,605	34,412	70,017
% change	-2.2	-14.7	-8.3
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	156,476	61,386	217,862
Short tons, 1978	178,126	59,433	237,559
Metric tonnes, 1979	141 953	55 688	197 641
Metric tonnes, 1978	161 593	53 917	215 510
% change	-12.2	3.3	-8.3
Cars, 1979	4,650	2,330	6,980
Cars, 1978	5,551	2,508	8,059
% change	-16.2	-7.1	-13.4
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	34,754,666	30,823,334	65,578,000
Short tons, 1978	33,020,698	30,677,667	63,698,365
Metric tonnes, 1979	31 528 903	27 962 458	59 491 361
Metric tonnes, 1978	29 955 873	27 830 311	57 786 184
% change	5.3	0.5	3.0
Cars, 1979	566,877	453,574	1,020,451
Cars, 1978	554,573	461,217	1,015,790
% change	2.2	-1.7	0.5
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,393,213	926,184	3,319,397
Short tons, 1978	2,454,118	876,679	3,330,797
Metric tonnes, 1979	2,171 086	840 220	3 011 306
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 226 338	795 310	3 021 648
% change	-2.5	5.6	-0.3
Cars, 1979	72,795	35,457	108,252
Cars, 1978	73,575	35,278	108,853
% change	-1.1	0.5	-0.6

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended April 14, 1979 —
 Published Only in the *Daily*

Loadings by Canadian railways totalled 3.7 million t (4.1 million short tons) in the above-noted week (which included Good Friday), down 13.5 from the preceding seven days and 1.0% below the 1978 period. Eastern loadings showed an increase of 13.3% (due mainly to a sharp reduction in loadings of iron ore in 1978 occasioned by strikes in the iron mining industry). Traffic originating in the West fell by 12.5%.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments (included above) were down 12.2% in the East and up 3.3% in the West to register an over-all decline of 8.3%.

On a year-to-date basis, rail loadings were 3.0% above the 1978 level. Piggyback traffic was down 0.3%.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

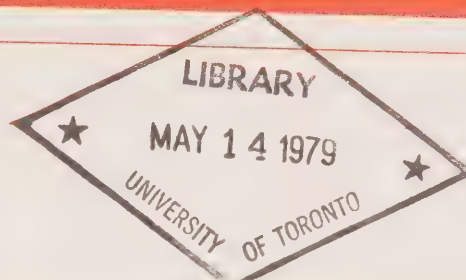
Sales of Cement, March 1979 — Advance Information

Advance information on sales of cement as reported by Canadian producers for the month of March is now available.

For further information, contact Gordon McWade (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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New Telephone Number for Labour Force Survey Division

Users of labour force survey data should note that the telephone number of the originating division has been changed. The new number is (613) 995-9404.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

- 23-003 (30¢/\$3) **Production and Stocks of Eggs and Poultry, January 1979**
 - 32-022 (15¢/\$1.50) **Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products, March 1979**
 - 32-217 (70¢) **Stocks of Food Commodities in Cold Storage and Other Warehouses, 1978**
 - 34-209 (70¢) **Wool Yarn and Cloth Mills, 1977**
 - 35-002 (30¢/\$3) **Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies (Excluding Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island), January 1979**
 - 41-207 (70¢) **Fabricated Structural Metal Industry, 1977**
 - 41-215 (70¢) **Metal Rolling, Casting and Extruding, 1977**
 - 41-220 (70¢) **Steel Pipe and Tube Mills, 1977**
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41-223 (70¢) Boiler and Plate Works, 1977

41-225 (70¢) Heating Equipment Manufacturers, 1977

42-202 (70¢) Agricultural Implement Industry, 1977

42-211 (70¢) Railroad Rolling Stock Industry, 1977

47-005 (35¢/\$1.40) Factory Shipments of High Pressure Decorative Laminate Sheet, Quarter Ended March 1979

62-547 (\$2.80) Urban Family Expenditure, 1976

72-009 (70¢/\$2.80) Local Government Employment, October-December 1978

Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturing Industries, April 1979 — Published Only in the *Statistics Canada Daily and Infomat*

Canadian manufacturers reporting to the April Business Conditions Survey expressed more optimism about production for the second quarter of 1979 than they showed for the first quarter. Results show that 33% of the weighted response expects production to be higher from April through June than it was in the January to March period, whereas in the January survey only 26% felt this optimism about production. The proportion expecting production to be lower decreased to 13% from the previous quarter's 17%. (Management is asked to allow for normal seasonal conditions when responding.)

The level of new orders was reported to be rising by 40% of the weighted response and declining by 10%. In January, 37% indicated orders were rising and 9% that they were declining. The proportion of the response indicating a higher than normal backlog of unfilled orders declined slightly to 27% in April from 30% in January while those reporting a lower than normal backlog remained unchanged at 10% in both periods. In the same period of 1978, only 14% reported that the orders backlog was higher than normal and 19% that it was lower.

Finished product inventory was felt to be too high by 11% of the weighted response in April and too low by 13%. This is fairly similar to January's results when 9% indicated inventories were too high and 16% too low.

Shortages of raw materials and skilled labour were once again the two major causes of production difficulties, with 14% of the weighted response citing the former and 12% the latter.

When classified by economic use or type of market served by the producer, the results show the largest quarter-to-quarter changes occurred in the non-durable consumer goods industries where optimism about production increased to 42% from 18% of the weighted response, and in the export-based industries where only 13% now feel finished product inventory is too low compared to 39% in January.

Response from the April survey represented more than 6,500 manufacturing establishments whose shipments accounted for about 53% of all shipments in these industries in 1976. Answers were weighted by attaching to each the value of shipments reported to the 1976 Census of Manufactures. (The January 1979 data published here include some response received too late for the first release of results from that survey.)

Percentages are proportions of the total weighted response indicating a specified condition (e.g. "too high", "too low" or "about right") in answer to each question.

For further information, contact Brian Preston (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

(see table on next page)

Canada-U.S.A. Air Passenger Origin and Destination, Third Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

Data for the third quarter of 1978 on Canada-U.S.A. Air Passenger Origin and Destination are now available.

For further information, contact Mrs. J.C. Tessier (613-997-1986), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Telecommunication Statistics, Fourth Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

Teleglobe Canada, Canadian National Telecommunications and Canadian Pacific (telecommunications branch) reported revenues of \$85.7 million for the fourth quarter of 1978, up 8.3% from the corresponding period in 1977. Operating expenses increased 4.5% to \$66.1 million. Net operating revenue at \$19.5 million advanced 23.4% from the fourth quarter of 1977.

For the year 1978, operating revenues totalled \$327.9 million, up 12.3% over 1977 while expenses increased 7.0% to \$265.6 million. Net operating revenue rose 42.1% to \$62.2 million.

For further information, order the fourth quarter issue of the *Communications Service Bulletin, Telecommunications Statistics* (56-001, \$1.40 a year), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturing Industries

April 1979

Date	Expected production, next 3 months compared to last 3			New Orders Level			Unfilled Orders Backlog		Finished Product Inventory			Sources of Production Difficulties						
	Higher	Lower	About Same	Rising	Declining	About Same	Higher than Normal	Lower than Normal	About Normal	Too High	Too Low	About Right	Working Capital	Skilled Labour	Unskilled Labour	Raw Materials	Other Difficulties	No Difficulties
All Manufacturing Industries																		
Percentage of weighted response																		
Apr./78	37	13	50	30	16	54	14	19	67	16	4	80	4	9	1	4	5	80
July/78	33	22	45	41	11	48	19	17	65	16	7	77	3	12	1	7	4	77
Oct./78	38	16	46	43	10	47	25	10	65	11	11	78	4	13	2	11	4	72
Jan./79	26	17	57	37	9	54	30	10	60	9	16	75	3	11	1	16	3	71
Apr./79	33	13	55	40	10	50	27	10	63	11	13	76	3	12	1	14	11	64
Durable Consumer Goods																		
Apr./78	33	20	47	20	35	45	7	40	53	39	4	57	12	11	1	5	4	72
July/78	36	27	38	34	21	46	18	30	52	28	4	68	11	12	1	3	3	76
Oct./78	49	15	36	55	15	30	31	17	52	17	14	68	9	13	4	10	9	67
Jan./79	33	32	35	34	15	51	22	19	59	13	9	77	9	12	1	9	3	72
Apr./79	43	22	35	42	24	35	30	21	49	33	7	60	8	12	4	12	2	68
Non-durable Consumer Goods																		
Apr./78	37	14	50	24	13	64	6	13	82	12	4	84	2	8	1	9	3	81
July/78	42	27	31	39	12	50	15	12	73	15	8	77	2	9	1	7	5	78
Oct./78	34	19	46	36	10	55	12	6	81	10	9	82	3	20	2	10	4	68
Jan./79	18	25	57	25	9	66	7	12	81	11	9	80	3	7	1	13	3	77
Apr./79	42	10	49	28	12	60	10	12	77	12	10	78	6	12	2	21	4	63
Machinery and Equipment																		
Apr./78	33	15	51	35	31	33	22	32	47	19	4	77	6	19	1	4	3	73
July/78	33	21	46	44	19	38	24	28	48	19	6	75	6	23	1	6	4	66
Oct./78	46	14	40	40	20	40	26	20	54	22	10	68	8	30	2	7	2	60
Jan./79	44	9	47	55	13	32	47	13	39	12	5	83	2	30	1	8	1	63
Apr./79	42	9	49	53	14	32	44	9	47	15	11	74	3	34	0	19	1	50
Construction Materials and Supplies																		
Apr./78	37	17	46	32	23	45	14	36	50	22	9	68	3	13	1	2	1	82
July/78	32	27	41	35	23	42	20	30	50	20	10	70	5	18	0	7	2	71
Oct./78	24	30	46	27	25	48	22	28	50	17	12	71	6	13	2	10	3	71
Jan./79	27	30	43	25	27	48	18	24	58	15	17	69	5	12	1	10	3	74
Apr./79	41	19	41	44	20	37	25	24	50	13	7	80	4	12	2	18	4	67
Other Intermediate Goods																		
Apr./78	38	13	49	44	13	42	15	17	68	14	4	82	4	7	1	1	11	78
July/78	25	26	49	38	9	53	26	16	58	12	7	80	2	15	1	11	3	72
Oct./78	35	16	49	47	6	47	38	5	57	8	14	77	2	9	1	15	2	75
Jan./79	33	16	51	34	6	60	29	6	65	8	9	82	2	10	1	14	2	74
Apr./79	34	7	59	40	8	52	28	8	64	9	18	73	2	10	1	13	14	65
Export-based Industries																		
Apr./78	38	9	53	18	9	73	16	10	74	15	4	82	2	6	0	4	3	86
July/78	34	10	56	50	4	47	7	6	86	17	6	77	2	6	1	3	3	87
Oct./78	47	8	45	55	3	42	18	6	76	9	8	83	3	6	1	9	7	78
Jan./79	17	3	80	54	2	44	55	5	40	4	39	57	2	7	0	30	3	60
Apr./79	14	19	66	49	2	50	34	2	64	7	13	80	2	6	0	6	21	67

Note: The survey reflects management's opinion of expected production, current orders and inventory levels, and also current sources of production difficulties. Respondents were asked to allow for normal seasonal fluctuations. Individual replies were weighted by the value of the respondent's shipments as reported to the Census of Manufactures; these weighted replies were then summed and expressed as a percentage of all similarly weighted response to the particular question. Because of rounding and inclusion of reports indicating more than one source of difficulty, category totals may differ from 100%.

Employment, Earnings and Hours, Advance Data

February 1979

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Employment Index Number									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Feb. 1979f	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978r	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Feb. 1979f	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978r
	1961=100									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	66.5	69.3	75.1	83.7	68.0	67.7	78.6	81.1	81.3	81.6
Mining, including milling	117.4	117.5	115.0	117.0	120.8	120.0	118.2	118.3	115.8	116.9
Manufacturing	128.0	127.5	127.3	129.3	123.2	122.9	131.4	130.7	129.9	129.2
Durable Goods	142.9	141.7	141.6	143.6	135.4	135.1	145.6	143.8	142.9	142.1
Non-durable Goods	116.0	116.0	115.7	117.7	113.3	113.0	119.6	119.9	119.6	118.6
Construction	80.3	81.8	88.5	100.2	87.0	89.3	93.4	94.8	97.5	96.3
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	130.5	130.2	131.5	133.7	127.4	125.9	134.2	134.0	134.5	135.1
Trade	173.5	174.7	181.7	180.8	169.4	171.3	177.6	175.6	175.0	174.3
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	202.8	202.4	201.5	201.1	196.4	195.7	204.3	203.8	202.6	201.2
Service	256.3	255.4	256.2	260.6	251.2	247.0	266.3	266.2	265.2	262.8
Industrial Composite	144.6	144.6	146.3	148.7	141.3	140.9	149.3	148.9	148.1	147.5
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	127.3	127.9	131.4	135.6	123.0	123.2	137.0	137.0	135.3	134.0
Newfoundland	120.0	120.6	124.7	127.6	117.2	119.1	131.2	134.0	128.9	125.4
Prince Edward Island	145.4	143.0	150.6	150.5	136.4	132.4	169.0	163.8	160.8	151.7
Nova Scotia	130.3	130.8	133.7	137.6	125.2	125.1	136.5	136.3	136.1	136.0
New Brunswick	126.8	127.7	131.0	137.3	122.8	122.6	138.0	137.3	136.3	136.5
Quebec	124.1	124.4	125.7	128.3	122.6	122.9	128.2	128.0	127.2	127.3
Ontario	150.5	150.3	151.6	153.6	146.8	146.7	154.4	153.8	153.1	152.2
Prairie Region	162.5	162.6	164.6	167.6	156.1	156.2	167.9	167.8	166.9	166.6
Manitoba	122.2	122.5	124.1	126.8	120.7	121.1	126.4	126.2	126.0	125.9
Saskatchewan	139.0	139.2	143.0	147.3	136.6	136.2	144.7	144.6	145.2	146.1
Alberta	205.4	205.2	206.9	209.6	193.3	193.0	211.7	212.1	209.7	208.8
British Columbia	170.8	170.2	172.5	174.4	168.6	163.9	175.4	175.0	174.1	174.1
Yukon	166.1	166.1	171.6	179.6	179.0	172.4	175.6	177.7	180.7	186.2
Northwest Territories	144.7	146.1	146.8	144.6	144.5	142.1	156.4	159.6	161.4	153.1
Canada	144.6	144.6	146.3	148.7	141.3	140.9	149.3	148.9	148.1	147.5

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Employment, Earnings and Hours, February 1979 — (Correction)

In the Employment, Earnings and Hours release in the *Daily* of Friday, April 27, 1979, the headings on the two accompanying tables were inadvertently transposed.

For further information, contact R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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Steel Ingots, Week Ended April 28, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended April 28 was 351,088 short tons (318 502 t), a decrease of 0.4% from the preceding week's total of 352,487 short tons (319 771 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 295,747 short tons (268 293 t).

The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 191.6 in the current week, 192.4 a week earlier and 161.4 a year earlier.

For further information, contact Brian Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

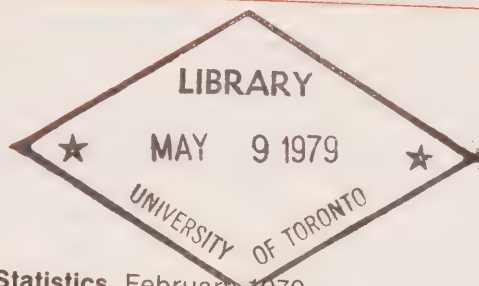
Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Feb. 1979f	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978r	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Feb. 1979f	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978p	Nov. 1978r
						dollars				
Industry Division:										
Forestry	366.39	363.89	272.44	355.75	342.28	328.73	345.23	354.12	324.87	346.60
Mining, including milling	413.70	408.15	391.78	397.15	373.01	367.90	409.64	403.59	390.61	392.44
Manufacturing	302.85	301.03	291.89	296.84	280.19	273.32	301.13	300.01	296.76	295.80
Durable Goods	323.34	321.91	312.28	319.11	299.54	288.88	321.60	320.92	319.28	316.73
Non-durable Goods	282.48	280.44	271.74	274.93	261.51	258.28	280.91	279.38	274.90	275.67
Construction	397.43	394.59	371.72	401.26	377.99	361.29	396.83	398.13	411.83	398.23
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	329.63	329.17	324.38	323.33	306.11	305.64	327.14	326.88	326.93	323.82
Trade	209.85	209.04	204.54	203.35	196.37	193.96	211.67	212.03	205.59	206.87
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	260.25	259.81	257.03	253.98	240.05	239.62	259.11	260.49	259.13	257.64
Service	188.97	188.00	185.12	184.24	174.98	174.85	189.56	186.77	185.99	185.73
Industrial Composite	278.19	276.87	269.01	273.30	258.85	255.26	277.96	277.40	274.75	273.41
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	246.76	246.32	236.77	239.53	228.06	228.69	245.17	243.66	242.10	240.93
Newfoundland	265.77	267.37	251.97	260.17	247.82	248.21	262.02	264.51	261.76	261.74
Prince Edward Island	206.02	206.84	199.52	202.10	191.34	195.28
Nova Scotia	236.34	234.83	226.57	229.94	219.08	219.88	235.92	233.48	231.38	231.96
New Brunswick	252.02	251.38	243.74	242.17	230.33	230.29	248.15	245.08	247.63	243.22
Quebec	273.84	272.07	266.59	270.41	255.65	253.49	272.88	273.63	271.70	269.76
Ontario	277.10	275.63	267.99	271.88	258.27	251.76	277.49	275.82	274.05	272.18
Prairie Region	276.54	275.82	266.68	270.73	254.64	252.48	275.77	276.19	272.40	271.41
Manitoba	250.17	249.71	244.45	246.17	233.13	229.95	251.91	251.19	248.12	248.46
Saskatchewan	265.10	263.02	257.28	257.84	240.41	239.52	266.19	265.06	259.30	258.59
Alberta	292.66	292.22	280.35	286.69	269.79	268.03	290.31	291.40	288.57	287.06
British Columbia	313.13	312.19	300.67	309.74	291.60	289.50	314.23	313.04	310.29	309.03
Yukon	370.34	377.63	373.43	367.55	347.46	361.96
Northwest Territories	323.64	326.53	316.58	317.91	294.35	298.72
Canada	278.19	276.87	269.01	273.30	258.85	255.26	277.96	277.40	274.75	273.41

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- 26-201 (\$1.40) **General Review of the Mineral Industries, 1976**
- 34-219 (70¢) **Felt and Fibre Processing Mills, 1977**
- 35-001 (30¢/\$3) **Construction Type Plywood, February 1979**
- 61-005 (40¢/\$4) **Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry, January 1979**
- 63-002 (40¢/\$4) **Department Store Sales and Stocks, January 1979**
- 72-002 (70¢/\$7) **Employment, Earnings and Hours, January 1979**
- Service Bulletin:**
- 32-023 (\$1.40 a year) **Fruit and Vegetable Preservation, Vol. 7, No. 9, Pack of Processed Plums, 1978**

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

				% Change From	
	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1979	Feb. 1978
Benefits					
Amount paid (\$000)	427,774	525,946	460,890	-19	-7
Weeks of benefit (000)	3,958	4,667	4,182	-15	-5
Average weekly benefit (\$)	108.09	112.70	110.21	-4	-2
Claims received (000)	198	308	211	-36	-6
Beneficiaries (000)	966p	932p	1,029	4	-6
	To Date			Change From	
	1979		1978	2 months 1979/1978	
Benefits					
Amount paid (\$000)	953,719		974,565		-2
Weeks of benefit (000)	8,624		8,894		-3
Average weekly benefit (\$)	110.58		109.57		1
Claims received (000)	506		511		-1
Beneficiaries(1) (000)	949p		1,020		-7

(1) Monthly average

p Preliminary figures

For further information, order the February 1979 issue of *Preliminary Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001-p) or *Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-001, Quarterly, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact George Fincham (613-995-8445), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Preliminary Report on Unemployment Insurance Statistics, February 1979 — Advance Information

Claimants qualifying for unemployment insurance benefits numbered 966,000* for the week ended February 17, up 4% from the previous month but 6% fewer than in February 1978. Thirty-seven percent of the beneficiaries were females compared with 36% a year earlier.

Unemployment insurance benefits paid in February totalled \$428* million, a decrease of 19% from January and down 7% from a year earlier. The drop in payments resulted from a 15% decrease in the number of weeks of benefit paid along with a 4% decline in the average weekly benefit to \$108.09. (The latter figure reflects the reduction in the benefit rate to 60% of average weekly insurable earnings in 1979 from 66 2/3% in 1978.) Disbursements for the first two months of 1979 amounted to \$954 million, down 2% from the January-February 1978 period.

Claims submitted in February by persons applying for benefits totalled 198,000, a decrease of 36% from January (a normal drop between these two months) and down 6% from February 1978. For the first two months of 1979 a total of 506,000 claims were received, 1% fewer than a year earlier.

* The count of beneficiaries cannot be related to the benefit payments made during a month. Whereas the latter figure covers all benefit payments made during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons who qualified for benefits for a specific week each month regardless of when they received payment.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, February 1979 — Advance Information

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies increased in February to 543,577,000 feet board measure (1 282 699 m³) from a revised 508,866,000 feet board measure (1 200 790 m³) in February 1978. Stocks on hand at the end of February 1979 totalled 697,484,000 feet board measure (1 645 879 m³).

For further information, order the February issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Coal and Coke Statistics, February 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian coal production decreased 4.6% in February to 2 513 737 metric tonnes from 2 634 064 tonnes a year earlier. Landed imports rose 30.8% to 11 670 tonnes from 8 920 tonnes.

Coal production for the first two months of 1979 at 5 392 897 tonnes was up 5.2% from 5 124 833 tonnes in the January-February 1978 period.

For further information, contact Dave Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy Section, Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6, or order the February issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics*, (45-002, 40¢/\$4).

Selected Principal Statistics for Smelting and Refining

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 295		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	28	30	7.1
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.			
Man-hours paid	000's	23,294	25,217	8.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	45,150	51,271	13.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	314,963	375,106	19.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	156,870	179,016	14.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	505,255	735,810	45.6
Value added	\$000	1,443,307	2,053,063	42.2
Total Activity:		781,182	1,138,237	45.7
Total employees	No.	34,246	35,647	4.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	511,696	580,691	13.5
Total value added	\$000	812,654	1,176,050	44.7

For further information, contact Brian Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Smelting and Refining* 1977 (41-214, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Machine Shops

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 308		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	845	810	-0.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.			
Man-hours paid	000's	8,864	8,890	0.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	18,768	18,632	-0.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	105,308	113,643	7.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	3,402	4,082	20.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	109,591	122,339	11.6
Value added	\$000	313,953	339,920	8.3
Total Activity:		201,257	215,521	7.1
Total employees	No.	10,764	10,762	—
Total salaries and wages	\$000	134,382	145,352	8.2
Total value added	\$000	206,253	223,607	8.4

For further information, contact J.B. Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Machine Shops*, 1977 (42-207, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Platemaking, Typesetting and Trade Bindery Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2870		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	369	363	-1.7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.			
Man-hours paid	000's	5,085	5,324	4.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	10,022	10,416	3.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	65,847	73,519	11.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	1,232	1,561	26.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	38,599	48,365	25.3
Value added	\$000	163,462	193,778	18.6
Total Activity:		123,628	144,336	16.8
Total employees	No.	6,488	6,721	3.6
Total salaries and wages	\$000	88,794	98,832	11.3
Total value added	\$000	125,711	145,645	15.9

For further information, contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries*, 1977 (36-203, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Publishing (Only) Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2880		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	506	473	-6.5
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	—	—	—
Man-hours paid	000's	—	—	—
Manufacturing wages	\$000	—	—	—
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	—	—	—
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	194,089	210,880	8.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	463,946	520,414	12.2
Value added	\$000	274,331	313,066	14.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	9,371	9,515	1.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	105,252	113,287	7.6
Total value added	\$000	290,254	327,681	12.9

For further information, contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries*, 1977 (36-203, \$1.05).

International Air Charter Statistics, Third Quarter 1978

— Advance Information

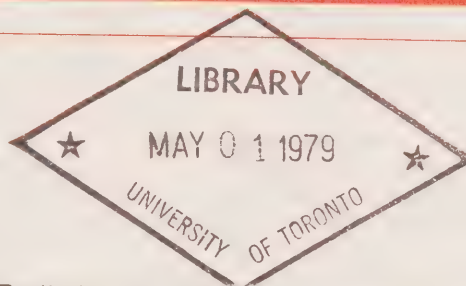
International Air Charter Statistics are now available for the third quarter of 1978.

For further information, contact R. Watson (819-997-1986), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

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The Market Research Handbook, 1979 (Catalogue 63-224, \$9.00 in Canada, \$10.80 elsewhere) is now available. The 653-page Handbook, with 201 tables, provides the most comprehensive array of Canadian marketing information published in a single volume. Key economic data are supplied on the nation, the provinces and territories, 23 metro areas and 35 other population centres.

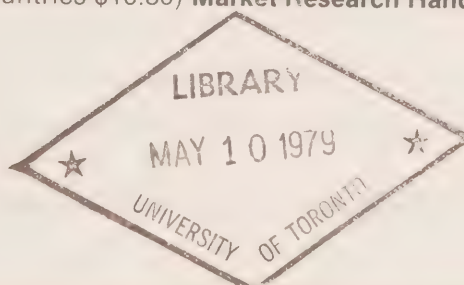
Sections include: selected economic indicators; government revenue, expenditure and employment (federal, provincial and local); merchandising and services; population characteristics; personal income and expenditure; housing; motor vehicles; household facilities and equipment; metropolitan area data; census agglomeration data.

For further information, contact David Van Luven (613-995-4198), Analysis and Development Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

32-228 (70¢) **Flour and Breakfast Cereal Products Industry**, 1977

63-224 (Canada \$9.00, Other Countries \$10.80) **Market Research Handbook**, 1979



Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products

(1971=100)

	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Nov. 1978	Feb. 1978
Canada	236.2	224.7	220.2	218.6	193.2
Prince Edward Island	253.5	240.5	249.8	254.1	197.9
Nova Scotia	236.9	230.8	221.3	223.6	201.8
New Brunswick	262.1	270.3	251.3	282.8	206.5
Quebec	242.5	232.5	225.4	221.5	201.5
Ontario	230.4	220.6	215.9	214.0	186.5
Manitoba	249.8	232.0	230.3	230.1	203.9
Saskatchewan	228.7	217.5	215.5	212.8	193.0
Alberta	247.5	230.6	226.2	225.1	194.2
British Columbia	213.7	208.6	200.7	199.2	182.9

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products, April 1979 — Advance Information

The index of farm prices of agricultural products (1971=100) stood at 236.2 in February, an increase of 5.1% from the revised January level of 224.7.

The index of farm prices of agricultural products has been rebased to a new time and weight base with 1971 being the new reference year. For further information concerning the rebased index, contact Peter Lys or George Beelen (613-995-4895), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Local Government Finance, Preliminary 1977 and Estimates 1978 — Advance Information

Local government revenues rose to an estimated \$20.2 billion in 1978, up 9.6% over 1977, while expenditures rose 10.8% and exceeded \$21.8 billion.

Pending publication of *Local Government Finance*, Preliminary 1977 and Estimates 1978 (68-203), copies of the principal revenue and expenditure tables appearing in the publication are available upon request from Mr. G.A. Marr (613-995-9897), Chief, Local Government Section, Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Electric Power Statistics, February 1979 — Advance Information

In February, net generation increased to 31.9 TW.h from 30.3 TW.h in February 1978. Hydro generation was up 3.2% while thermal production rose 9.3%.

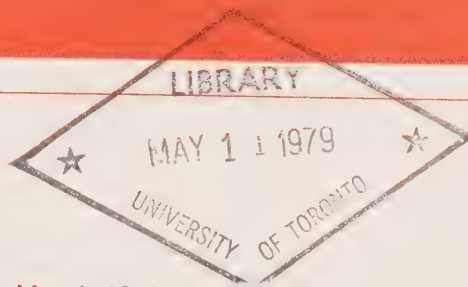
Total generation for 1979 to date at 66.9 TW.h showed an increase of 4.8% from the January-February 1978 period.

For further information, order the February issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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- 31-001 (55¢/\$5.50) Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, January 1979
- 36-001 (15¢/\$1.50) Hardboard, March 1979
- 47-001 (15¢/\$1.50) Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles, March 1979
- 51-001 (40¢/\$4) Transcontinental and Regional Air Carrier Operations, November 1978
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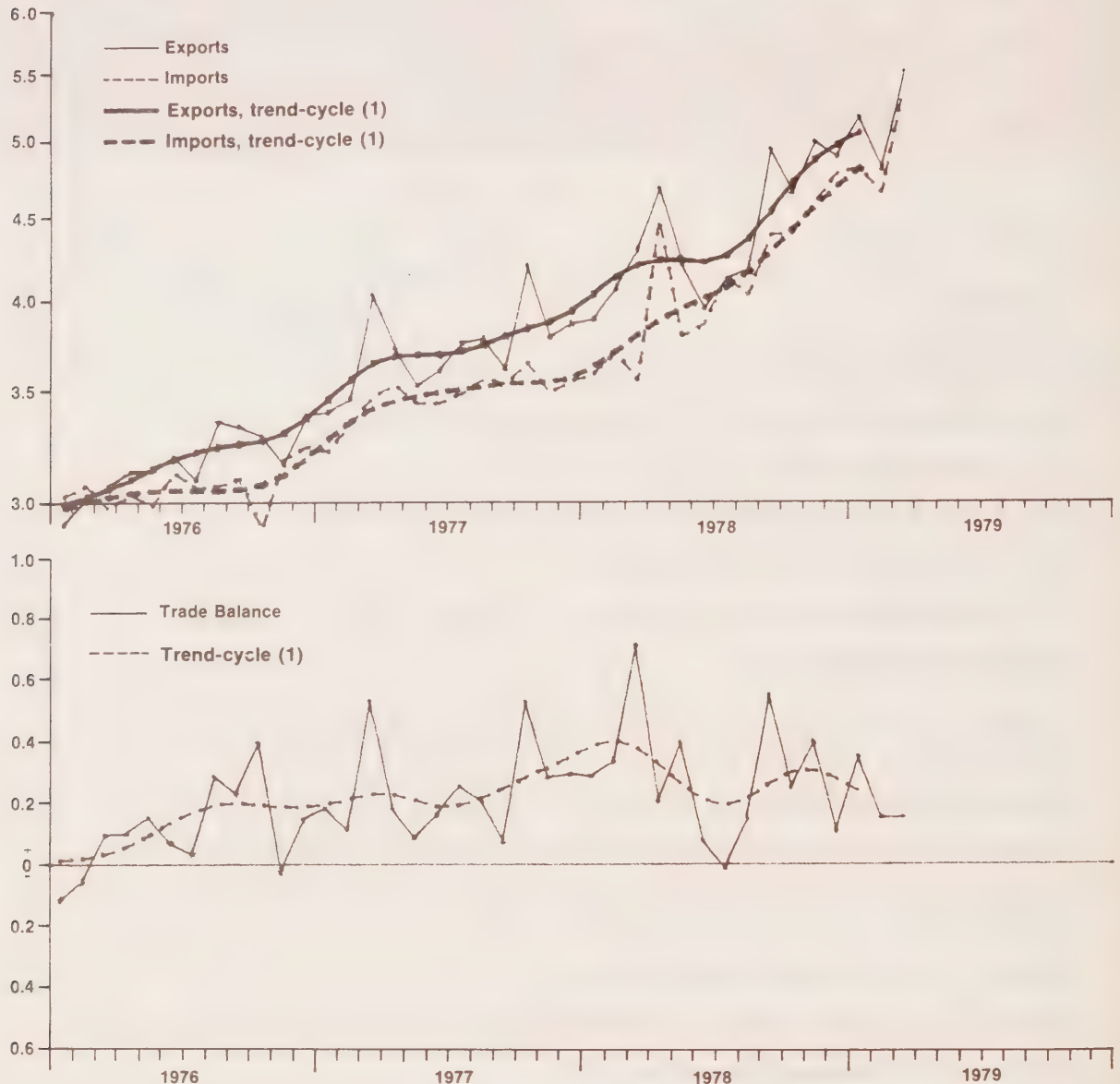
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EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE: ALL COUNTRIES

Seasonally Adjusted

Balance of Payments Basis

Billions of Dollars



(1) Note: Monthly trade figures, particularly exports and the trade balance, often fluctuate widely about the trend-cycle. The trend-cycle is a short term tendency derived from the 13-term Henderson moving average used in the X-11 seasonal adjustment technique. Changes in the trend-cycle provide a more reliable guide to the direction and rate of change of trade data over the short term. Estimates of the trend-cycle for the two most recent periods often change considerably with the addition of further months of data. The accompanying charts and comments on changes in the trend-cycle therefore exclude the two most recent observations.

Merchandise Trade of Canada

	Customs Basis*		Balance of Payments Basis*				
	Unadjusted		Unadjusted		Seasonally Adjusted		Trade Balance
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports (\$ millions)	Exports	Imports	
1977							
Fourth Quarter	11,805	10,819	12,071	10,791	11,783	10,674	1,109
1978							
First Quarter	11,672	10,629	11,819	10,727	12,157	10,821	1,336
Second Quarter	13,876	13,484	13,569	13,031	12,727	12,044	683
Third Quarter	12,478	11,622	12,388	11,502	13,122	12,431	691
Fourth Quarter	14,615	13,949	14,614	13,662	14,384	13,626	758
1979							
First Quarter	14,745	14,785	14,709	14,484	15,328	14,675	653
1978							
October	4,801	4,791	4,867	4,658	4,601	4,352	249
November	5,261	4,893	5,212	4,807	4,943	4,544	399
December	4,553	4,265	4,535	4,197	4,840	4,730	110
1979							
January	4,967	4,780	4,921	4,688	5,119	4,767	352
February	4,487	4,463	4,488	4,364	4,750	4,599	151
March	5,291	5,543	5,300	5,432	5,459	5,309	150

*In the above table, export and import totals are shown on both a "customs" and a "balance-of-payments" basis. The figures on a customs basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts explained in Summary of External Trade. The figures on a balance-of-payments basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices. For more information about these adjustments, please refer to Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20).

Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, March 1979

On a seasonally adjusted balance-of-payments basis, both exports and imports increased about 15% or \$710 million in March 1979 — to \$5.46 billion for exports, and \$5.31 billion for imports — following decreases of 7.2% and 3.5%, respectively, in February. The resulting March surplus of \$150 million was at about the same level as in February. The rate of increase in the trend-cycle continued to decline slightly more rapidly for exports than for imports. This resulted in a declining tendency for the balance from a peak surplus of just over \$300 million in October and November 1978 to \$280 million in December and \$240 million in January.

Exports increased less strongly than imports on a quarterly basis also, resulting in a \$105 million decrease to \$653 million in the first quarter from the fourth quarter surplus of \$758 million. The first quarter 1979 surplus was close to the level of the second and third quarter 1978 surpluses and half the exceptionally high surplus of \$1,336 million for the first quarter of 1978.

Commodity Analysis

Exports (Seasonally Adjusted), Customs Basis

The increase in domestic exports in March was the result of increases in the three main sections apart from end products. Fabricated material exports increased 13.4% or \$225 million to \$1,905 million. This was mainly due to a \$95 million recovery to \$290 million in pulp exports which were up nearly 50% following a 28% decline in February and an \$80 million recovery in lumber exports to \$315 million which were

up by a third following a 31% decline in February. Crude material exports increased 18.5% or \$160 million to \$1,020 million. Metallic ore exports were up \$85 million or 31.5% to \$350 million. Crude petroleum exports increased 17% to \$205 million following a 20% increase in February and natural gas exports decreased 11% to \$195 million following a 7% increase in February. Food, feed, beverages and tobacco increased by nearly a third or \$120 million to \$495 million following a 17.5% decline in February. The main contribution to this increase was from wheat exports which more than doubled with an increase of \$100 million, to \$195 million. End products declined 1% to \$1,770 million in March following a 12% decline in February. Motor vehicle product exports fell 4.7% to \$1,060 million. Passenger car exports declined 15% or \$60 million to \$345 million. Truck and other motor vehicle exports fell 2% following a 3.5% increase in February and motor vehicle parts exports increased 3.5% following a 9% decrease in February.

Growth rates in the trend-cycle continued to decline in all sections and for most export commodities. The end product trend-cycle increased 0.5% in January 1979, down from a 3.3% increase in September 1978. A similar pattern was evident for most end product commodities. The motor vehicle product export trend-cycle has fallen from an increase of 3.6% in September (continued on page 5)

Table 1
Imports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1977							
Fourth Quarter	10,702.3	7,792.4	7,456.3	321.3	2,924.7	578.9	481.2
1978							
First Quarter	10,993.4	8,085.6	7,693.5	344.4	2,955.5	690.4	502.6
Second Quarter	12,228.7	8,952.8	8,645.4	391.5	3,191.8	751.7	568.1
Third Quarter	12,547.6	9,187.1	8,949.1	401.5	3,197.0	706.2	621.2
Fourth Quarter	13,910.1	10,412.6	9,723.6	460.2	3,726.3	883.3	572.9
1979							
First Quarter	14,975.4	11,043.5	11,028.9	397.2	3,549.4	929.7	696.9
1978							
October	4,483.5	3,346.5	3,091.5	137.1	1,254.9	296.4	209.7
November	4,628.8	3,479.1	3,201.3	157.2	1,270.3	282.1	170.2
December	4,797.8	3,587.0	3,430.8	165.9	1,201.1	304.8	193.0
1979							
January	4,858.7	3,462.9	3,707.1	138.7	1,013.0	317.1	189.3
February	4,697.0	3,360.7	3,503.1	84.2	1,109.7	284.0	155.8
March	5,419.6	4,219.9	3,818.7	174.3	1,426.7	328.6	351.8
Percent changes							
March/February	15.3	25.5	9.0	106.9	28.5	15.7	125.7
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	7.6	6.0	13.4	-13.7	-4.7	5.2	21.6
Mar. 79/Mar. 78	50.5	54.4	48.5	50.4	56.0	32.6	123.0

Table 2
Imports by Principal Trading Areas, Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Mar.	Feb.	Jan.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	3,898.9	3,323.7	3,415.0	2,574.6	2,664.3	2,101.2	51.4	24.7	62.5
United Kingdom	194.3	79.8	137.8	119.3	127.3	97.2	62.8	-37.3	41.7
Other E.E.C.	332.5	251.3	317.4	237.7	220.7	191.8	39.8	13.8	65.4
Japan	340.2	156.1	213.4	147.3	194.6	162.1	131.0	-19.7	31.6
Other O.E.C.D.	130.2	119.2	162.7	93.6	112.0	106.0	39.1	6.3	53.5
Other America	231.4	257.5	220.1	146.8	187.5	270.8	57.6	37.3	-18.7
Other Countries	415.3	275.1	313.7	218.7	394.5	260.6	89.8	-30.2	20.3
All Countries	5,542.7	4,462.6	4,780.0	3,537.9	3,901.0	3,189.7	56.6	14.3	49.8
	Year-to-Date						Mar.-Mar. Percent Changes		
	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	79/78	78/77	
United States	10,637.6	6,738.7	7,340.1	4,765.5	6,980.7	4,328.4	44.9	5.1	
United Kingdom	411.8	217.6	343.8	224.5	307.8	181.4	19.7	11.6	
Other E.E.C.	901.1	568.6	650.2	412.5	528.7	330.7	38.5	22.9	
Japan	709.7	369.5	504.0	356.7	419.6	266.3	40.8	20.1	
Other O.E.C.D.	412.1	281.9	311.5	218.0	294.1	188.7	32.2	5.9	
Other America	709.0	477.6	605.0	458.3	619.7	384.4	17.1	-2.3	
Other Countries	1,004.0	588.8	873.9	655.1	821.2	536.8	14.8	6.4	
All Countries	14,785.3	9,242.6	10,628.6	7,090.6	9,971.7	6,216.6	39.1	6.5	

Table 3

**Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings,
Not Seasonally Adjusted**

	Monthly (\$ millions)						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Mar.	Feb.	Jan.
Live Animals	5.9	6.4	4.9	3.0	2.8	2.3	97.3	131.4	112.9
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	306.0	268.2	316.6	235.2	283.8	240.6	30.0	-5.5	31.5
Meat and fish	52.1	43.0	55.6	34.7	50.3	39.4	50.0	-14.6	41.1
Fruits and vegetables	119.7	98.7	110.1	83.8	88.6	70.3	42.7	11.2	56.6
Raw sugar	5.6	21.6	12.9	0.0	20.2	20.0	...	6.8	-35.4
Crude Materials, Inedible	597.0	458.0	563.7	296.0	507.5	450.4	101.6	-9.7	25.1
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	35.1	40.3	93.5	20.9	42.0	34.9	67.8	-4.0	168.1
Coal	1.0	0.9	47.0	0.4	0.6	14.7	121.6	42.2	219.0
Crude petroleum	407.5	302.9	267.6	201.3	362.4	320.9	102.4	-16.4	-16.5
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	998.4	744.5	880.5	651.5	653.7	530.1	53.2	13.8	66.0
Wood and paper	89.0	66.2	74.9	60.6	60.9	46.4	46.8	8.6	61.5
Textiles	120.0	101.6	119.9	81.5	86.2	76.2	47.2	17.9	57.2
Chemicals	294.2	236.5	240.6	213.8	202.5	154.6	37.5	16.7	55.6
Iron and steel	113.8	85.6	102.7	73.9	74.6	61.9	54.0	14.7	66.0
Bars and rods, steel	13.6	10.0	9.4	9.6	7.3	7.6	41.1	36.7	24.5
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	35.9	29.9	37.4	21.7	29.1	21.7	65.3	2.6	72.2
Non-ferrous metals	136.7	66.9	123.9	51.6	57.6	38.0	164.6	16.2	225.9
End Products, Inedible	3,461.0	2,953.0	2,978.7	2,321.8	2,423.3	1,939.8	49.0	21.8	53.5
General purpose machinery	327.1	158.6	166.0	134.5	133.2	111.1	143.2	19.0	49.3
Special industry machinery	285.4	225.1	268.5	179.1	204.7	154.0	59.3	9.9	74.3
Machine tools, metalworking	28.6	18.7	27.4	12.4	18.7	16.3	130.7	0.2	68.3
Agricultural machinery and tractors	193.3	135.2	139.2	112.5	114.2	83.0	71.7	18.4	67.6
Transportation equipment	1,524.4	1,538.5	1,358.3	1,131.3	1,172.9	920.7	34.7	31.1	47.5
Passenger automobiles and chassis	385.0	320.2	270.3	318.1	294.0	230.4	21.0	8.9	17.2
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	166.7	149.5	121.1	106.2	93.3	57.3	56.9	60.2	111.2
Other motor vehicles	47.0	36.8	34.4	26.3	30.2	24.9	78.6	21.8	38.1
Motor vehicle engines	95.0	107.0	95.7	58.6	62.7	44.9	62.1	70.7	113.0
Motor vehicle engine parts	49.4	47.3	48.1	53.3	61.3	56.5	-7.3	-22.9	-14.7
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	618.9	685.4	638.4	447.7	516.0	425.5	38.2	32.8	50.0
Aircraft, complete with engines	23.8	69.0	11.1	21.1	11.6	2.4	12.9	497.4	371.1
Other equipment and tools	630.5	501.4	588.3	423.3	432.2	364.6	48.9	16.0	61.3
Electronic computers	97.9	87.3	91.6	58.6	60.1	52.9	67.1	45.1	73.2
Special Transactions, Trade	174.4	32.5	35.6	30.4	29.9	26.4	474.2	8.6	34.9
Total	5,542.7	4,462.6	4,780.0	3,537.9	3,901.0	3,189.7	56.6	14.3	49.8

1978 to a decrease of 0.5% in January. Passenger car exports increased 1.2% in September 1978 and have since fallen at an increasing rate with the decline in January being 4%. Truck exports increased 8.6% in October, diminishing to a 1.3% increase in January and motor vehicle parts increased 3.6% in October, diminishing to a 1.4% increase in January.

Fabricated materials increases peaked in October 1978 with an increase of nearly 4%, diminishing to a 1.4% increase in January. A significant trend-cycle movement in this area is that of lumber which has grown at a steadily diminishing rate for the last few months up to December 1978 and which declined 1.2% in January. A notable exception to the trend-cycle pattern for crude materials was crude petroleum which increased steadily during the last few months, finishing with a 9.3% increase in January 1979. The trend-cycle for food, feed, beverages and tobacco peaked in October 1978 and has since declined, wheat and other cereals being the main contributors to this pattern.

Imports (Seasonally Adjusted), Customs Basis

Crude materials were up 25% or \$135 million to \$690 million following a 19% increase in February. A substantial contributor was crude petroleum which increased 22.5% to \$390 million following a 60% increase in February. Fabricated materials increased 20% or \$165 million to \$990 million following a 6.5% decline in February. Most commodities in this section showed substantial increases following declines in February. End products more than recovered from a 5.3% decline in February with an 8.3% increase of \$250 million in March to \$3,250 million. The most outstanding increase for end products was a more than 50% increase of \$200 million in industrial machinery imports to \$580 million. Total automotive imports declined 3.3% to \$1,335 million following a 3.3% increase in February. Passenger cars and trucks were

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Table 3 (Continued)

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings,
Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Year-to-Date						Mar.-Mar. Percent Changes	
	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	79 78	78 77
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	17.3	11.4	8.1	5.1	9.7	6.4	113.5	-16.8
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	890.7	584.7	759.6	524.4	731.9	451.8	17.2	3.7
Meat and fish	150.7	98.6	124.5	89.8	119.3	78.7	21.0	4.3
Fruits and vegetables	328.4	208.7	242.7	158.9	223.3	136.6	35.3	8.7
Raw sugar	40.1	34.6	40.3	40.3	40.2	35.4	-0.3	0.0
Crude Materials, Inedible	1,618.7	1,021.6	1,254.0	957.9	1,163.9	777.6	29.0	7.7
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	168.9	133.8	97.7	76.9	71.8	56.6	72.7	36.0
Coal	48.9	47.9	15.8	15.4	32.9	30.5	209.2	-51.8
Crude petroleum	978.0	570.5	884.5	683.3	802.2	515.7	10.5	10.2
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	2,623.4	1,625.0	1,835.3	1,183.8	1,618.1	973.4	42.9	13.4
Wood and paper	230.2	141.1	167.9	107.3	170.7	103.2	37.0	-1.6
Textiles	341.5	221.5	243.9	162.4	215.6	135.7	40.0	13.1
Chemicals	771.4	477.2	571.0	357.2	484.2	281.9	35.0	17.9
Iron and steel	302.1	188.3	210.3	136.4	180.4	112.3	43.6	16.5
Bars and rods, steel	33.0	19.4	24.5	14.9	24.1	15.1	34.6	1.6
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	103.2	67.3	72.5	50.8	58.3	39.0	42.2	24.2
Non-ferrous metals	327.5	190.9	147.3	95.6	107.4	64.8	122.4	37.0
End Products, Inedible	9,392.7	5,931.8	6,684.9	4,363.1	6,346.2	3,939.9	40.5	5.3
General purpose machinery	651.6	324.5	378.8	244.3	341.2	210.4	72.0	11.0
Special industry machinery	779.0	493.6	537.8	358.7	516.9	336.7	44.8	4.0
Machine tools, metalworking	74.8	46.2	47.4	35.0	38.2	22.5	57.7	23.9
Agricultural machinery and tractors	467.7	274.4	309.7	197.2	368.9	230.7	50.9	-16.0
Transportation equipment	4,421.2	2,896.8	3,225.0	2,093.7	3,004.7	1,856.0	37.0	7.3
Passenger automobiles and chassis	975.5	590.5	842.5	524.4	775.7	446.3	15.7	8.6
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	437.3	270.6	256.8	150.6	246.8	157.2	70.2	4.0
Other motor vehicles	118.2	71.2	81.4	55.1	87.3	48.9	45.1	-6.7
Motor vehicle engines	297.7	202.7	166.2	107.6	128.0	78.3	79.1	29.8
Motor vehicle engines parts	144.8	95.4	171.1	117.8	164.7	105.2	-15.3	3.8
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	1,942.7	1,323.8	1,389.3	941.6	1,312.9	838.8	39.8	5.8
Aircraft, complete with engines	103.9	80.1	35.0	13.9	21.9	13.5	197.1	59.3
Other equipment and tools	1,720.2	1,089.7	1,220.1	796.8	1,124.9	692.7	40.9	8.4
Electronic computers	276.8	178.9	171.6	113.0	140.3	88.5	61.3	22.3
Special Transactions, Trade	242.5	68.1	86.7	56.3	101.8	67.6	179.7	-14.8
Total	14,785.3	9,242.6	10,628.6	7,090.6	9,971.7	6,216.6	39.1	6.5

up about 10% in March following small changes in February and automotive parts were down 12% following a 5% increase in February. In March most other end products more than recovered from February declines. Food, feed, beverages and tobacco compensated for a 6% decline in February with a 10% increase in March. Fruits and vegetables increased just over 25% following a 14% decline in February.

The trend-cycle rates of growth for most major sections and commodities, while still increasing, are doing so at slower rates than at the peak rate achieved in October or November last year. Industrial machinery is one of the few areas to show an increasing rate of growth from a 2.6% increase in September 1978 to a 4.4% increase in January 1979. Automotive product imports have been increasing at a nearly 4% rate per month over the three months up to January 1979. Passenger cars, which were decreasing between September and November last year, increased 1.7% in December and 3.3% in January 1979. Trucks and other

motor vehicles are still increasing strongly with a 4.6% increase in January, but down from a peak 11% increase in October. The motor vehicle parts imports trend-cycle continues to grow with increases of 4.3% in November 1978, 4.2% in December, and 3.7% in January. Non-ferrous metals imports are still increasing strongly with a 6% increase in its trend-cycle for January 1979, down from a 17% increase in September 1978.

Trading Partner Analysis

Total Exports (Seasonally Adjusted), Customs Basis
Exports to the United States recovered the 6% February decline with a 6% increase in March of \$205 million to \$3,610 million. Exports to all other major principal trading areas increased 18% or more following declines in February, apart from "Other America" which was down 7% in March. Exports to (continued on page 8)

Table 4

Total Exports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs Basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	Total excluding cars and wheat	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1977								
Fourth Quarter	11,516.7	8,690.4	8,219.9	8,173.5	476.2	2,867.0	673.4	615.0
1978								
First Quarter	12,338.5	9,562.0	9,160.4	8,666.6	512.1	3,159.8	711.1	683.3
Second Quarter	12,728.4	9,793.1	9,329.8	9,001.8	530.9	3,195.7	697.2	743.2
Third Quarter	13,200.2	10,134.0	9,615.7	9,311.8	478.7	3,409.7	674.1	806.5
Fourth Quarter	14,374.2	10,871.4	10,343.9	10,019.0	483.3	3,872.0	826.2	828.5
1979								
First Quarter	15,365.1	11,944.8	11,492.8	10,619.7	525.4	4,219.9	990.9	964.2
1978								
October	4,532.2	3,369.5	3,157.3	3,111.3	144.7	1,276.2	260.9	208.0
November	4,988.5	3,847.3	3,630.0	3,409.0	198.7	1,380.8	294.8	346.1
December	4,853.5	3,654.6	3,556.5	3,498.7	139.8	1,215.0	270.5	274.4
1979								
January	5,165.2	3,980.3	3,826.3	3,610.0	212.0	1,343.2	317.8	284.6
February	4,749.2	3,665.0	3,545.4	3,402.0	137.8	1,209.4	309.2	274.0
March	5,450.7	4,299.5	4,121.1	3,607.8	175.6	1,667.3	363.9	405.5
Percent changes								
March/February	14.7	17.3	16.2	6.0	27.3	37.8	17.7	47.9
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	6.8	9.8	11.1	5.9	8.7	8.9	19.9	16.3
Mar. 79/Mar. 78	26.7	28.9	28.5	23.3	-6.5	40.4	37.1	81.9

Table 5

Total Exports by Principal Trading Areas, Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Mar.	Feb.	Jan.
(\$ millions)									
United States	3,767.2	3,286.7	3,437.0	2,974.8	2,883.7	2,534.6	26.6	13.9	35.6
United Kingdom	183.5	128.9	192.8	177.9	170.8	126.1	3.1	-24.5	52.9
Other E.E.C.	316.6	281.8	323.1	210.6	236.3	185.7	50.3	19.2	73.9
Japan	351.8	244.5	332.3	198.1	243.6	213.5	77.5	0.3	55.6
Other O.E.C.D.	142.8	109.8	156.5	84.5	102.5	82.6	68.9	7.1	89.4
Other America	171.1	170.8	185.5	201.0	199.7	156.3	-14.8	-14.4	18.6
Other Countries	357.9	264.6	340.2	221.8	259.7	208.7	61.3	1.8	63.0
All Countries	5,291.0	4,487.1	4,967.3	4,068.8	4,096.3	3,507.3	30.0	9.5	41.6
	Year-to-Date						Mar.-Mar Percent Changes		
	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	79/78	78/77	
United States	10,491.0	6,723.7	8,393.1	5,418.3	7,216.8	4,450.8	24.9	16.3	
United Kingdom	505.2	321.6	474.7	296.8	465.9	296.8	6.4	1.8	
Other E.E.C.	921.4	604.9	632.6	422.0	659.9	452.1	45.6	-4.1	
Japan	928.6	576.8	655.3	457.1	611.3	380.1	41.7	7.1	
Other O.E.C.D.	409.1	266.3	269.6	185.1	327.8	188.5	51.7	-17.7	
Other America	527.4	356.3	557.0	356.0	398.4	242.8	-5.3	39.7	
Other Countries	962.7	604.7	690.1	468.3	666.4	429.7	39.4	3.5	
All Countries	14,745.4	9,454.4	11,672.4	7,603.6	10,346.6	6,440.8	26.3	12.8	

Table 6

**Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings,
Not Seasonally Adjusted**

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Mar.	Feb.	Jan.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	15.2	14.4	20.1	16.2	17.7	9.5	-6.7	-18.9	110.5
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	374.6	300.3	417.6	291.1	341.1	281.2	28.7	-11.9	48.4
Meat and fish	121.9	94.9	114.7	81.0	79.9	75.3	50.4	18.6	52.2
Cereals and preparations	154.6	110.0	181.3	136.4	162.3	140.5	13.2	-32.1	29.0
Wheat	110.1	73.4	140.6	88.3	93.1	94.1	24.7	-21.2	49.4
Crude Materials, Inedible	973.1	795.6	890.3	659.2	745.5	730.1	47.6	6.7	21.9
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	270.0	176.9	226.0	162.3	194.8	159.9	66.4	-9.1	41.3
Crude petroleum	186.3	161.0	173.0	131.1	137.0	163.5	42.1	17.5	5.7
Natural gas	212.5	243.1	227.1	184.0	205.9	212.9	15.5	18.0	6.6
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,959.1	1,624.1	1,812.2	1,494.1	1,515.5	1,276.5	31.1	7.1	41.9
Wood and paper	1,002.1	754.8	933.1	724.8	701.9	630.9	38.2	7.5	47.8
Lumber, softwood	319.5	221.1	316.7	222.4	234.0	205.2	43.6	-5.5	54.3
Wood pulp and similar pulp	287.4	200.4	262.3	165.7	173.5	147.3	73.3	15.5	78.0
Newsprint paper	268.4	230.5	240.1	241.7	206.9	202.0	11.0	11.3	18.8
Textiles	14.8	13.2	14.3	11.8	12.6	8.4	25.6	5.2	71.4
Chemicals	248.4	209.7	223.1	188.4	173.6	117.9	31.8	20.8	89.3
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	81.2	59.1	69.6	69.9	74.6	44.8	16.2	-20.7	55.4
Petroleum and coal products	87.9	107.3	109.7	58.7	80.7	76.4	49.7	32.9	43.7
Iron and steel	125.5	117.6	133.3	110.3	108.7	87.2	13.7	8.2	52.8
Non-ferrous metals	322.4	273.6	228.2	268.3	309.5	237.7	20.1	-11.6	-4.0
Copper and alloys	43.3	28.0	21.6	42.6	69.7	40.1	1.7	-59.8	-46.0
Nickel and alloys	37.6	48.0	20.1	58.7	76.1	71.0	-36.0	-37.0	-71.7
End Products, Inedible	1,837.4	1,655.0	1,700.9	1,538.2	1,390.8	1,151.6	19.4	18.9	47.7
Industrial machinery	159.0	127.2	146.7	147.6	116.9	89.4	7.7	8.7	64.1
Agricultural machinery and tractors	79.9	53.5	45.3	45.7	53.8	25.2	74.9	-0.5	79.9
Transportation equipment	1,298.5	1,209.5	1,218.4	1,132.6	993.9	879.9	14.6	21.6	38.4
Passenger automobiles and chassis	389.7	387.5	388.2	410.8	358.6	331.8	-5.1	8.0	16.9
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	308.6	281.8	254.1	240.8	227.7	182.1	28.1	23.7	39.5
Other motor vehicles	20.7	19.0	30.0	17.9	12.8	15.9	15.5	48.8	89.4
Motor vehicle engines and parts	77.6	82.9	90.8	89.9	78.3	85.4	-13.6	5.7	6.2
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	352.2	305.9	331.9	239.9	241.0	213.4	46.7	26.9	55.5
Other equipment and tools	142.5	124.0	136.0	90.4	96.2	68.9	57.6	28.9	97.5
Special transactions, Trade	19.6	10.6	18.4	7.1	6.5	7.0	175.6	63.5	163.5
Total	5,178.9	4,399.9	4,859.6	4,006.0	4,017.0	3,455.9	29.2	9.5	40.6

Japan increased almost 50% or \$130 million to \$405 million, to "Other OECD countries" by 36% to \$145 million, to the United Kingdom by 27% to \$175 million, and to "Other EEC countries" by 18% to \$365 million.

The trend-cycle in exports to the U.S. continued to increase but at a slower rate, down from a 3.3% increase in October 1978 to a 1.9% increase in January. Exports to Japan continued a strong growth tendency, averaging a 3.5% increase per month over the period September 1978 to January 1979. Growth in the export trend-cycle continued at fairly high levels for all other principal trading areas apart from the U.K. and "Other America". Exports to "Other EEC countries" continued to increase strongly but were down from a peak monthly increase of 7% in October to a 5.5% increase in January 1979. Similarly, exports to "Other OECD countries" increased 5% in January 1979, down from a peak increase of 9% in October 1978.

Total Imports (Seasonally Adjusted), Customs Basis

Imports from the U.S. more than recovered the 5.5% February decline with a 9% increase of \$315 million to \$3,820 million in March 1979. Imports from Japan more than doubled with a \$200 million increase to \$350 million, following an 18% decline in February. Imports from the U.K. also more than doubled, increasing \$90 million to \$175 million. Imports from "Other EEC countries" increased 16% to \$330 million following a 10% decrease in February, and imports from "Other America" fell 11% to \$275 million after a nearly 100% increase in February.

The trend-cycle for imports from the U.S. is still growing strongly but at a slightly declining rate, with a 4.2% increase in November 1978 diminishing to a 3.7% increase in January. (This is a higher rate of growth (continued)

Table 6 (Continued)

**Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings,
Not Seasonally Adjusted**

	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Year-to-Date Mar. 1978 Feb. 1978 (\$ millions)		Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	Mar.-Mar. Percent Changes 79/78 78/77	
Live Animals	49.6	34.4	43.5	27.3	24.2	16.3	13.9	79.6
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	1,092.5	717.9	913.4	622.3	891.2	579.0	19.6	2.4
Meat and fish	331.4	209.5	236.3	155.3	179.0	100.0	40.2	31.9
Cereals and preparations	445.9	291.4	439.2	302.8	482.3	333.3	1.5	-8.9
Wheat	324.0	213.9	275.4	187.2	337.0	243.2	17.6	-18.2
Crude Materials, Inedible	2,659.0	1,685.9	2,134.8	1,475.6	2,059.8	1,342.4	24.5	3.6
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	672.9	402.8	516.9	354.6	527.3	344.0	30.1	-1.9
Crude petroleum	520.3	334.0	431.6	300.5	441.2	309.2	20.5	-2.1
Natural gas	682.7	470.2	602.7	418.8	510.5	329.9	13.2	18.0
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	5,395.4	3,436.4	4,286.1	2,792.0	3,484.2	2,157.8	25.8	23.0
Wood and paper	2,690.0	1,687.9	2,057.6	1,332.9	1,764.5	1,090.6	30.7	16.6
Lumber, softwood	857.3	537.8	661.6	439.1	503.0	306.1	29.5	31.5
Woodpulp and similar pulp	750.0	462.7	486.6	320.8	546.4	351.0	54.1	-10.9
Newsprint paper	739.0	470.6	650.6	408.9	523.8	326.1	13.5	24.2
Textiles	42.4	27.6	32.7	20.9	28.3	16.5	29.5	15.7
Chemicals	681.3	432.9	479.9	291.4	414.6	252.8	41.9	15.7
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	210.0	128.8	189.3	119.4	177.5	104.0	10.9	6.6
Petroleum and coal products	304.9	217.0	215.7	157.1	193.1	134.4	41.3	11.7
Iron and steel	376.4	250.9	306.2	195.8	236.9	152.4	22.9	29.2
Non-ferrous metals	824.1	501.7	815.6	547.2	610.3	368.1	1.0	33.6
Copper and alloys	92.9	49.6	152.4	109.8	136.2	82.0	-39.0	11.8
Nickel and alloys	105.6	68.0	205.8	147.1	84.0	54.4	-48.7	145.1
End Products, Inedible	5,193.4	3,355.9	4,080.6	2,542.3	3,677.8	2,216.4	27.2	10.9
Industrial machinery	432.8	273.9	353.8	206.2	280.2	161.6	22.3	26.2
Agricultural machinery and tractors	178.7	98.8	124.6	78.9	147.5	83.8	43.4	-15.5
Transportation equipment	3,726.4	2,427.9	3,006.5	1,873.9	2,770.0	1,674.9	23.9	8.5
Passenger automobiles and chassis	1,165.4	775.7	1,101.3	690.4	1,163.9	693.3	5.8	-5.3
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	844.6	535.9	650.7	409.8	483.6	305.9	29.8	34.5
Other motor vehicles	69.7	49.0	46.5	28.6	34.6	20.5	49.8	34.5
Motor vehicle engines and parts	251.3	173.6	253.7	163.8	250.9	162.2	-0.9	1.1
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	989.9	637.8	694.3	454.4	611.8	374.6	42.5	13.4
Other equipment and tools	402.6	260.1	255.4	165.0	216.6	132.6	57.6	17.9
Special Transactions, Trade	48.5	29.0	20.5	13.4	16.1	11.2	136.1	27.8
Total	14,438.4	9,259.5	11,478.9	7,472.9	10,153.2	6,323.1	25.7	13.0

than for exports to the U.S. over this period.) The trend-cycle for imports from Japan, after declining marginally over the period September to November 1978, increased 1.1% in December, and 5.2% in January. The underlying movement in imports from the U.K. continued to decline in January from a peak reached in November 1978. Imports from "Other EEC countries" continued to slow from a peak increase of 1% in October 1978 to 3% in January.

For further information on area and commodity trade, order the March issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

March 1979 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Mar. 1978	% Change	
				Mar. 79 Feb. 79	Mar. 79 Mar. 78
Total Index	204.9	203.5	187.1	0.7	9.5
Materials	196.2	193.4	174.4	1.4	12.5
Steel and Metal Work	211.9	210.9	177.8	0.5	19.2
Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning	178.1	176.8	159.7	0.7	11.5
Electrical Equipment	184.9	179.2	164.5	3.2	12.4
Concrete Products	213.7	209.1	203.9	2.2	4.8
Lumber and Lumber Products	258.3	248.3	217.2	4.0	18.9
Other	183.2	181.8	168.2	0.8	8.9
Labour	214.6	214.6	201.1	—	6.7

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G. John (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Union Wage Rate Indexes including selected pay supplements are now available for March 1979.

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, March 1979 — Advance Information

Previously noted decreases in the number of Canadian residents returning from the United States and other countries continued in March 1979 and resulted in a lower first quarter figure than in 1978. Visitors from the U.S. also declined in a year-over-year comparison, while visitors from all other countries continued to increase. (Year-over-year comparisons for March and the first quarter were affected by the Easter date change from March in 1978 to April in 1979, which in part explained the lower volume of traffic this year.)

Preliminary statistics for March showed that 1.7 million U.S. residents entered Canada, down 2.2% from March 1978. Canadian residents returning from the U.S. numbered 2.8 million, a decrease of 9.3% from last year. Visitors entering Canada from countries other than the U.S. totalled 61,000, up 4.8%, while Canadian residents returning from these countries decreased by 2.5% to 202,000.

On a year-to-date basis, 4.1 million U.S. visitors entered Canada, down fractionally from the 1978 first quarter, while Canadian residents returning from the U.S. numbered 6.9 million, lower by 8.3%. Visitors from other countries increased in the first quarter by 7.7% to 146,000, while the number of Canadian residents returning from these countries fell by 1.5% to 536,000.

Longer-term travellers from the U.S. (including overnight or longer bus and auto traffic and all plane, boat and train entries) were down 5.5% in the first quarter to 1.0 million. Canadians returning from the U.S. decreased by 8.3% to 2.3 million, while Canadian residents returning from all other countries numbered 536,000, down by 1.5%. Visitors from these other countries (excluding same day entries) rose by 6.5% in the first quarter of 1979 to 131,000.

For further information, order the March issue of *International Travel — Advance Information* (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mike Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Seed Potato Prices — New Brunswick

Variety	Price per hundredweight		
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
Elite 2 and 3	\$4.53	\$4.20	\$4.60
Foundation	\$3.34	\$3.17	\$3.50
Certified	\$2.91	\$2.61	\$3.20

Seed Potato Prices, New Brunswick, First Quarter 1979 — Advance Information

The average prices paid to New Brunswick seed potato growers during the first quarter of 1979 are presented in the accompanying table.

For further information, contact K.C. Wardley (613-995-1226), Horticultural Crops Unit, Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day Period Ended April 21, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,717,024	2,224,464	4,941,488
Short tons, 1978	1,846,538	2,321,600	4,168,138
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 464 843	2 018 000	4 482 843
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 675 151	2 106 120	3 781 271
% change	47.1	-4.2	18.6
Cars, 1979	43,328	32,162	75,490
Cars, 1978	34,612	34,835	69,447
% change	25.2	-7.7	8.7
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	162,113	55,322	217,435
Short tons, 1978	171,635	61,675	233,310
Metric tonnes, 1979	147 066	50 187	197 253
Metric tonnes, 1978	155 705	55 951	211 656
% change	-5.6	-10.3	-6.8
Cars, 1979	4,964	2,202	7,166
Cars, 1978	5,177	2,490	7,667
% change	-4.1	-11.6	-6.5
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	37,471,820	33,047,798	70,519,618
Short tons, 1978	34,867,236	32,999,267	67,866,503
Metric tonnes, 1979	33 993 863	29 980 458	63 974 321
Metric tonnes, 1978	31 631 024	29 936 431	61 567 455
% change	7.5	0.2	3.9
Cars, 1979	610,205	485,736	1,095,941
Cars, 1978	589,185	496,052	1,085,237
% change	3.6	-2.1	1.0
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,557,305	981,556	3,538,861
Short tons, 1978	2,625,753	938,354	3,564,107
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 319 948	890 453	3 210 401
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 382 043	851 260	3 233 303
% change	-2.6	4.6	-0.7
Cars, 1979	77,799	37,660	115,459
Cars, 1978	78,752	37,768	116,520
% change	-1.2	-0.3	-0.9

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended April 21, 1979 —
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Railway freight loaded in the above-noted week totalled 4.5 million t (4.9 million short tons), an increase of 18.6% over the corresponding 1978 period. Traffic originating in the East showed a gain of 47.1% (due mainly to strikes affecting iron ore movements in 1978), while loadings in the West declined by 4.2%.

Container-trailer (piggyback) loadings (included above) were down 6.8% with lower traffic recorded in both the East and West.

In the January 1 to April 21, 1979 period, rail carload freight was up 3.9% from the 1978 level to 64.0 million t (70.5 million short tons). During the same cumulative

period, cars loaded numbered 1,095,941, a gain of 1.0% and container-trailer (piggyback) shipments declined 0.7%.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Miscellaneous Paper Converters

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2740		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	215	207	-3.7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	11,473	10,230	-10.8
Man-hours paid	000's	23,469	21,030	-10.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	119,103	115,197	-3.3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	9,207	10,242	11.2
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	435,002	425,837	-2.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	778,044	792,820	1.9
Value added	\$000	342,620	359,944	5.0
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	16,772	14,553	-13.3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	194,885	187,172	-4.0
Total value added	\$000	368,189	370,332	0.6

For further information, contact G. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Paper Converters*, 1977 (36-206, 70¢).

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory Services staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island by telephoning 1-800-565-7192. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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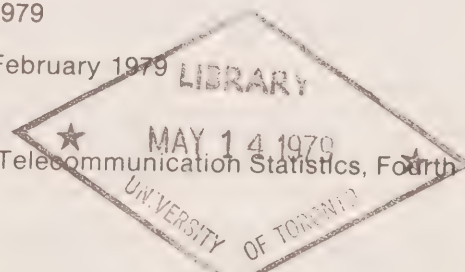
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Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing (1971=100)

	Relative Im- portance(1)	Index		Percent Change		Percent Contribution to Total Change	
		Mar.* 1979	Feb.* 1979	Mar. 1978	Mar. '79/ Feb. '79	Mar. '79/ Feb. '79	Mar. '79/ Mar. '78
Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing	100.0	208.3	207.0	184.4	0.6	13.0	100.0
SIC Major Groups:							
1. Food and Beverage Industries	19.9	227.3	225.3	197.3	0.9	15.2	29.1
2. Tobacco Products Industries	1.1	159.5	156.8	146.8	1.7	8.7	2.2
3. Rubber and Plastics Products Industries	2.5	165.4	164.6	153.8	0.5	7.5	1.4
4. Leather Industries	0.9	235.6	221.4	183.3	6.4	28.6	9.2
5. Textile Industries	3.5	171.4	170.0	155.8	0.8	10.0	3.4
6. Knitting Mills	0.9	149.6	148.1	136.4	1.0	9.6	0.9
8. Wood Industries	4.7	258.1	254.7	216.8	1.3	19.0	11.7
9. Furniture and Fixture Industries	1.6	199.6	197.4	179.4	1.1	11.3	2.6
10. Paper and Allied Industries	8.2	228.3	228.5	195.6	-0.1	16.7	-1.0
12. Primary Metal Industries	8.4	239.0	236.0	198.9	1.3	20.2	18.3
13. Metal Fabricating Industries	7.5	203.9	203.0	180.7	0.4	12.8	5.0
14. Machinery Industries	4.4	176.6	176.4	165.2	0.2	6.9	0.9
16. Electrical Products Industries	6.8	164.9	163.7	154.9	0.7	6.5	5.8
17. Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries	3.2	205.0	204.6	191.3	0.2	7.2	1.1
19. Chemical and Chemical Products Industries	6.6	202.3	200.7	184.7	0.8	9.5	7.7
Other Major Groups(2)	19.8	200.0	199.9	181.6	0.1	10.1	1.7

*These indexes are preliminary.

(1) Group weights are based on 1971 value of shipments (Census of Manufactures, 1971).

(2) Included are the following major groups: 7. Clothing Industries, 15. Transportation Equipment Industries, 18. Petroleum and Coal Products Industries, 20. Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing (1971=100), March 1979 — Advance Information

The Industry Selling Price Index for manufacturing rose 0.6% in March to 208.3 from 207.0 (revised) in February. The index was 13.0% above its March 1978 level of 184.4. The major groups having the most impact on the total index in March were food and beverage industries (+0.9%), primary metal industries (+1.3%), wood industries (+1.3%), leather industries (+6.4%) and chemical and chemical products industries (+0.8%).

In the food and beverage group, prices of slaughtering and meat processors, although rising less rapidly than in the previous two months, were up 1.9% due in part to increases of 1.7% for fresh and frozen beef, 7.0% for tallow and 6.1% for smoked hams, cooked and ready-to-serve; fresh and frozen pork decreased 0.9%. Other notable increases were reported by the brewery industry (3.7%), cane and beet sugar processors (2.6%), the fish products industry (0.8%), the dairy products industry (0.3%) and poultry processors (1.1%).

The primary metal group index rose largely on account of increases in smelting and refining (1.2%) and iron and steel mills (0.7%), which reflected price increases of 4.4% for carbon and alloy plate and 1.8% for hot rolled bars (all types except stainless and concrete reinforcing), 4.6% for aluminum rolling, casting and extruding and 4.4% for metal rolling, casting and extruding, n.e.s.

In the wood group prices rose 1.0% in sawmills and planing mills: hemlock rose by 5.9% and Douglas fir by 2.1% while planed spruce decreased by 1.7%. Veneer and plywood mills moved up 2.5% as Douglas fir plywood rose by 3.2% and spruce and pine plywood by 3.6%. An increase of 14.8% for western red cedar shingles (not further processed) moved the shingle mills index up by 8.2%.

An increase of 16.9% in leather tanneries and 3.5% in shoe factories reflected a rapid rise in raw hide prices.

The rise in the chemical group index was mainly due to increases for manufacturers of industrial chemicals — organic (0.9%), manufacturers of mixed fertilizers (4.9%), manufacturers of plastics and synthetic resins (1.5%), manufacturers of industrial chemicals — inorganic (0.7%) and paint and varnish manufacturers (1.1%).

The major groups which had the most impact on the movement of the total Industry Selling Price Index over the 12-month period from March 1978 to March 1979 were food and beverage industries (+15.2%), primary metal industries (+20.2%), paper and allied industries (+16.7%), wood industries (+19.0%) and metal fabricating industries (+12.8%).

For further information, order the March issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, 15¢/\$5.50), or contact the Information Unit, Industrial Prices (613-995-5738), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

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- 32-010 (30¢/\$3) **Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, April 1, 1979**
- 32-013 (15¢/\$1.50) **The Sugar Situation, March 1979**
- 41-226 (70¢) **Iron Foundries, 1977**
- 41-228 (70¢) **Miscellaneous Metal Fabricating Industries, 1977**
- 42-210 (70¢) **Motor Vehicle Parts and Accessories Manufacturers, 1977**
- 56-003 (30¢/\$3) **Radio Broadcasting, January 1979**
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- 62-011 (55¢/\$5.50) **Industry Price Indexes, February 1979**
- 72-004 (\$1.05/\$4.20) **Federal Government Employment, October-December 1978**

New Publication:

- 87-502 (\$1.05) **Culture Statistics, Travel to Work, 1973-1977**



Selected Principal Statistics for the Feed Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1060		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	608	553	-9.1
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	5,389	5,339	-0.9
Man-hours paid	000's	11,610	11,308	-2.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	59,014	62,945	6.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	14,586	17,246	18.2
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	1,037,624	1,089,169	5.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	1,292,509	1,366,745	5.7
Value added	\$000	242,880	263,960	8.7
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	8,820	8,915	1.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	100,215	109,531	9.3
Total value added	\$000	275,756	295,886	7.3

For further information, contact T. P. Sterling (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Feed Industry*, 1977 (32-214, 70¢).

New Motor Vehicle Sales, March 1979 — Advance Information

New motor vehicles sold in March totalled 136,677 units, up 12.7% from a year earlier. This included 87,957 passenger cars (up 22.9%) and 37,014 commercial vehicles (up 16.9%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S., and 10,871 passenger cars (down 35.4%) and 835 commercial vehicles (down 30.7%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value increased 32.1% to \$1,097.5 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$643.2 million (up 39.2%) and commercial vehicles for \$370.5 million (up 38.3%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas decreased 17.1% to \$78.0 million and those of commercial vehicles decreased 11.8% to \$5.8 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 279 units of coaches and buses valued at \$6.1 million.

Seasonally-adjusted March sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. increased 10.3% from February to 81,933 units and those of passenger cars from overseas decreased 1.5% to 10,492 units. Similarly-adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were up 4.6% to 34,473 units.

For the first three months of 1979, total sales reached 324,202 units (302,034 in 1978), with an accumulated value of \$2,569.4 million. This represented an increase of 24.3% in value over sales for January-March 1978.

For further information, order the March issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact M. Kwilecki (613-996-9304), Retail Trade Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Farm Cash Receipts, January-March 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates indicate that during the January to March period of 1979 farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland totalled \$3,396.0 million compared to the \$2,992.6 million realized during the same period of 1978. These estimates include: cash receipts from the sale of farm products; Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous years' grain crops; cash advances on farm-stored grains in Western Canada; and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No deduction is made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

For further information, order the January-March issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Peter Lys (613-995-4895), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Total Cash Receipts from Farming Operations

January-March
(millions of dollars)

	1978	1979
Prince Edward Island	25.0	34.2
Nova Scotia	31.6	37.6
New Brunswick	25.2	33.3
Quebec	329.3	414.9
Ontario	771.5	932.9
Manitoba	247.6	279.9
Saskatchewan	772.6	786.3
Alberta	672.5	757.9
British Columbia	117.3	119.0
Canada	2,992.6	3,396.0

Selected Principal Statistics for Printing and Publishing

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2890		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	574	557	-3.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	17,190	16,200	-5.8
Man-hours paid	000's	34,007	31,898	-6.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	218,812	225,551	3.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	7,724	8,857	14.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	299,052	324,825	8.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	1,147,866	1,213,521	5.7
Value added	\$000	842,081	880,651	4.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	34,275	33,026	-3.6
Total salaries and wages	\$000	447,595	465,683	4.0
Total value added	\$000	839,120	877,321	4.6

For further information, contact G. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries*, 1977 (36-203, \$1.05).

Steel Ingots, Week Ended May 5, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended May 5 was 342,493 short tons (310 704 t), a decrease of 2.4% from the preceding week's total of 351,088 short tons (318 502 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 311,188 short tons (282 305 t).

The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 186.9 in the current week, 191.6 a week earlier and 169.8 a year earlier.

For further information, contact Brian Finn (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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University Teachers' Salaries

The second edition of *Salaries of Full-time Teaching Staff at Canadian Universities and Colleges, 1978-79* is available free of charge upon request.

For further information, contact N.D. Uppal (613-995-1105/6), Post-Secondary Education Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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- 45-002 (40¢/\$4) Coal and Coke Statistics, February 1979
- 51-003 (\$1.05/\$4.20) International Air Charter Statistics, July-September 1978
- 63-004 (15¢/\$1.50) Department Store Sales By Regions, March 1979
- 63-210 (\$1.40) Retail Chain Stores, 1977
- 65-004 (80¢/\$8) Exports by Commodities, February 1979

Selected Principal Statistics for Miscellaneous Food Processors

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1089		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	251	243	-3.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	11,611	12,296	5.8
Man-hours paid	000's	23,838	25,721	7.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	128,758	146,202	13.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	24,647	30,048	21.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	1,025,309	1,216,571	18.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	1,708,718	1,997,265	16.8
Value added	\$000	657,666	753,656	14.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	20,014	21,236	6.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	250,572	285,939	14.1
Total value added	\$000	706,163	843,790	19.4

For further information, contact G. Elliot (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Food Processors, 1977* (32-224, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Leaf Tobacco Processors

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1510		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	9	10	11.1
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	805	641	-20.4
Man-hours paid	000's	1,640	1,268	-22.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	7,116	6,221	-12.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,079	1,146	6.2
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	239,986	192,535	-19.8
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	229,442	230,477	0.4
Value added	\$000	13,701	27,131	98.0
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,009	838	-17.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	10,355	9,446	-8.8
Total value added	\$000	15,004	29,199	94.6

For further information, contact G. Elliot (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Tobacco Products Industries, 1977* (32-225, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Miscellaneous Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3599		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	83	82	-1
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	5,158	5,288	3
Man-hours paid	000's	10,678	11,141	4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	70,349	75,430	7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	20,911	25,806	23
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	172,463	184,717	7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	421,610	447,852	6
Value added	\$000	234,026	237,516	1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	8,319	8,521	2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	118,276	127,565	8
Total value added	\$000	270,214	253,582	-6

For further information, contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Non-metallic Mineral Products Industries, 1977* (44-210, 70¢).

Department Store Sales by Regions, March 1979

Department store sales totalled \$609.7 million in March, an increase of 13.6% from a year earlier. Sales were up in all regions of Canada.

Department store sales by regions for the latest month, with percentage increases from March 1978 in brackets:

- Ontario, \$213.6 million (9.6%).
- Quebec, \$125.1 million (29.3%).
- British Columbia, \$100.1 million (11.7%).
- Alberta, \$84.0 million (11.2%).
- Atlantic Provinces, \$35.5 million (12.2%).
- Manitoba, \$33.7 million (5.1%).
- Saskatchewan, \$17.7 million (9.4%).

For further information, order the March issue of *Department Store Sales by Regions* (63-004, \$1.50 a year).

Telephone Statistics, March 1979 — Advance Information

Canada's 13 major telephone systems reported revenues of \$414.0 million in March, up 19.1% from a year earlier. Operating expenses rose 13.3% to \$284.3 million. Net operating revenue at \$129.7 million showed an increase of 34.4% over March 1978. Telephone toll messages increased 12.6% to 97.5 million.

For further information, order the March issue of *Telephone Statistics* (56-002, \$1.50 a year), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Oilseeds, March 1979 — Advance Information

Oilseed crushings for March, with oil produced and meal produced (all figures in metric tonnes):

- Soybeans: 69 544 (12 176; 54 028);
- Rapeseed: 69 647 (28 594; 40 211).

For further information, order the March issue of *Grains and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, 40¢/\$4), or contact J.M. Huard (613-995-4881), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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22-002E (\$5.60 for series of 20) **Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 4, Telegraphic Crop Report — Canada** — Available May 10, 1979 at 3 p.m.

35-003 (30¢/\$3) **Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia**, February 1979

43-009 (15¢/\$1.50) **Electric Lamps**, March 1979

56-002 (15¢/\$1.50) **Telephone Statistics**, February 1979

61-006 (\$1.40/\$5.60) **Financial Institutions, Financial Statistics**, Fourth Quarter 1978

Railway Carloadings, March 1979 — Advance Information

Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada totalled 21.1 million short tons (19.2 million t) in March, an increase of 9.8% from a year earlier. The carriers received an additional 2.1 million short tons (1.9 million t) from the United States, a decline of 3.1% from March 1978.

Commodities showing notable percentage change in the latest month included copper-nickel ore and concentrates (down 94.5% due to a continuing strike at INCO mines); wheat (down 15.8%); and coal (down 6.9%). Loadings of iron ore and concentrates were up 120.7% due to strikes affecting iron ore movements in 1978.

In the first three months of 1979, total loadings in Canada registered a 2.0% increase from 1978, and receipts from U.S. connections were up 3.5%.

For further information, order the March issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, 30¢/\$3) or, for seasonally-adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Sugar Sales, April 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian sugar refineries reported total April sales of 88 596 582 kilograms (195,322,062 lbs.) of all types of sugar. Domestic sales totalled 76 708 390 kilograms (169,113,081 lbs.) and export sales amounted to 11 888 192 kilograms (26,208,981 lbs.).

For further information, contact T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Mink Production, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary information on 1978 mink production at fur farms is available for each province except Ontario. The total number of pelts produced, excluding Ontario, was 568,761 compared with 528,549 in 1977.

For further information, contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-1225), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, April 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the month of April was 1,446,730 short tons (1 312 451 t). Pig iron production amounted to 1,038,323 short tons (941 951 t).

For further information, order the April issue of *Steel Ingots and Pig Iron* (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V3.

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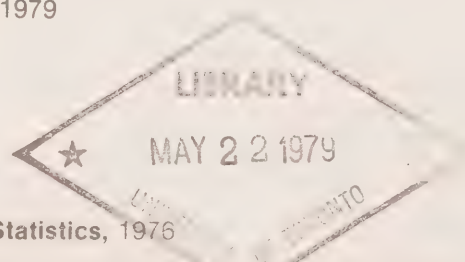
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- 26-204 (35¢) **Mineral Industries: Principal Statistics, 1976**
 - 32-024 (15¢/\$1.50) **Production and Inventories of Process Cheese and Instant Skim Milk Powder, March 1979**
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64-002 (40¢/\$4) Housing Starts and Completions, February 1979

67-002 (40¢/\$4) Security Transactions With Non-residents, January 1979

81-229 (\$2.10) Education in Canada, 1978

Service Bulletins:

61-007 (\$2.80 per year) Investment Statistics — Vol. 5, No. 1, Capital Expenditures in the Petroleum and Natural Gas and Allied Industries in Canada, 1958-1979

87-001 (\$1.40 per year) Culture Statistics — Vol. 2, No. 3, Preliminary Statistics on Visual Artists, 1978

Education in Canada, A Statistical Review for 1977-78 (81-229, \$2.10)

Recent education indicators show that the decline in the student population which began in the early 1970s is continuing. This reflects the passage of the baby-boom generation beyond the ages of elementary-secondary school attendance. Education was overtaken by social welfare as the main area of government expenditures in 1972. In 1970 education represented 9.0% of the Gross National Product; in 1976, 7.9%.

Nevertheless, total education spending continued to rise and amounted to more than \$15 billion in 1976, an increase of 266% in 10 years. Over the same period, enrolment at all levels increased only 7.9%. Thus, the average annual expenditure per full-time student went from \$690 to \$2,334.

Total full-time enrolment reached a peak of 6,363,900 students in 1970-71, but dropped to 5,988,600 in 1977-78. This over-all decline was due to a drop of 8.7% at the elementary-secondary level.

Enrolment in non-university institutions rose 13,000 from 227,200 in 1976-77 to 240,300 in 1977-78. Quebec's contribution to this increase was 11,000 students. The sharp rise was due to the earlier structural change in the province's elementary-secondary system. This produced an exceptionally large number of secondary graduates in the spring of 1977 who entered CEGEPs in the fall of 1977.

Meanwhile, full-time university enrolment decreased 0.6% from 376,500 to 374,200. In relation to the 18-24 age group, it dropped from 12.4% in 1976-77 to 12.0% in 1977-78.

Full-time teachers increased from 270,600 in 1967-68 to 323,500 in 1977-78. The elementary-secondary teaching force was largest in 1972-73 when it totalled 278,300. By 1977-78, their ranks had dropped to 272,000. But to keep up with enrolment at the post-secondary level, the number of teachers rose from 26,300 to 51,500.

Non-university institutions granted 54,060 diplomas in 1976-77, more than twice as many as in 1966-67.

From 1966-67 to 1976-77 the number of bachelor's and first professional degrees awarded by universities rose 102%; master's and earned doctorates more than doubled.

The sixth annual edition of *Education in Canada*, released today, summarizes major education statistics for Canada and the provinces. Times series of the most important variables are given for Canada from 1966-67. More detailed breakdowns of current data are in separate chapters on institutions, enrolment, graduates, teachers and finance. For further information, contact Mrs. Edith Rechnitzer (613-995-9685), Projections Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), March 1979 (Published only in the *Statistics Canada Daily*)

The accompanying table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available. Figures have been added showing total distance run and fuel consumed, using the International System of Units; this is the most modern version of the metric system, supported by the International Bureau of Weights and Measures and is the system of units which Canada is adopting.

The following observations apply to the data in this release:

- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of over-all charter and contract operations.
- Passengers paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and travelling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only.
- Total distance run in a revenue service includes distance run empty which was necessary to provide the revenue service.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-995-1976), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural)

		1978		1979	
		Year-to-Date	March	Year-to-Date	March
		20	20	20	20
Carriers Reporting					
Passenger Revenue Earned					
Intercity & Rural Services	\$	30,543,600r*	11,119,195r*	27,081,266*	9,893,036*
Urban-Suburban Services	\$	99,363r	36,245r	89,488	26,880
Other Services (e.g. charter)	\$	10,440,870r	4,012,944r	10,379,289	3,842,881
Fare Passengers Carried					
Intercity & Rural Services	No.	7,903,733r*	2,842,978r*	6,830,115*	2,475,226*
Urban-Suburban Services	No.	191,838r	68,010r	125,400	32,894
Other Services (e.g. charter)	No.	**	**	**	**
Total Distance Run					
Intercity & Rural Services	miles:	27,473,684r*	9,669,921r*	23,474,927*	8,180,167*
	km:	44 214 608r*	15 562 229r*	37 779 232*	13 164 702*
Urban-Suburban Services	miles:	116,815r	40,257r	100,585	23,703
	km:	187 996r	64 787r	161 877	38 147
Other Services (e.g. charter)	miles:	8,921,056r	3,151,244r	7,615,576	2,696,527
	km:	14 357 048r	5 071 436r	12 256 079	4 339 640
Fuel Consumed					
Diesel Oil	gal.:	4,708,497r	1,661,158r	4,028,500	1,370,794
	L:	21 405 251r	7 551 774r	18 313 923	6 231 754
Gasoline	gal.:	952,980r	280,920r	1,011,024	301,873
	L:	4 332 333r	1 277 088r	4 956 204	1 372 341

* Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

** The number of fare passengers carried for "Other Services" is not kept by all carriers.

r Revised figures.

Selected Principal Statistics for Miscellaneous Machinery and Equipment Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3150		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	877	879	0.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	39,277	39,165	-0.3
Man-hours paid	000's	82,047	81,266	-1.0
Manufacturing wages	\$000	459,285	509,778	11.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	21,474	25,316	17.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	1,182,492	1,321,403	11.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	2,418,660	2,696,211	11.5
Value added	\$000	1,234,578	1,365,682	10.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	58,817	58,882	0.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	738,147	818,423	10.9
Total value added	\$000	1,368,988	1,523,186	11.3

For further information, contact T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Machinery and Equipment Manufacturers, 1977* (42-214, 70¢).

Urban Transit, March 1979 — Advance Information

In March, 58 urban transit systems collected 110,833,462 initial passenger fares. The total distance run was 34,145,198 miles (54 951 365 km), and operating revenues amounted to \$41,765,980.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-995-1976), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6, or order the March issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50).

Federal Government Enterprise Finance, 1977 — Advance Information

Federal government enterprises had revenues of \$8,939.5 million during the fiscal year ended nearest to December 31, 1977. Expenditure for the corresponding period amounted to \$8,564.4 million. On a financial management basis this resulted in a net profit of \$297.6 million after provision for income tax.

For further information, contact G.M. McIlveen (613-995-9894), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Electrical Industrial Equipment 1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3360		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	200	198	-1.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	19,165	17,630	-8.0
Man-hours paid	000's	39,626	36,700	-7.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	211,396	212,338	0.4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	9,810	10,654	8.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	449,417	463,881	3.2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	1,019,130	1,081,137	6.1
Value added	\$000	572,538	627,740	9.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	31,427	28,463	-9.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	400,607	393,398	-1.8
Total value added	\$000	659,090	698,799	6.0

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Electrical Industrial Equipment, 1977* (43-207, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Pharmaceuticals and Medicines 1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3740		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	132	127	-4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	6,476	6,594	2
Man-hours paid	000's	13,178	13,107	-1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	66,984	75,430	13
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	7,047	7,944	13
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	267,058	280,655	5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	698,791	758,415	9
Value added	\$000	431,119	485,826	13
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	14,434	14,231	-1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	189,069	203,162	7
Total value added	\$000	475,570	534,537	12

For further information, contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Pharmaceuticals and Medicines, 1977* (46-209, 70¢).

Industrial Chemicals, March 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 141,125,000 lbs. (64 013 metric tonnes) of polyethylene-type synthetic resins in March, up from 77,953,000 lbs. (35 359 tonnes) a year earlier.

For further information, order the March issue of *Specified Chemicals* (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, May 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of frozen poultry products at May 1 amounted to 67.1 million pounds compared with last year's corresponding total of 53.8 million pounds.

For further information, order the May issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4959), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Particle Board, March 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian firms produced 30,639,000 square feet (45 187 m³) 5/8" basis of Type I particle board in March, an increase of 18.1% from 25,951,000 square

feet (38 273 m³) a year earlier. Production of Type II particle board reached 41,704,000 square feet (61 506 m³) 5/8" basis, up 13.5% from 36,752,000 square feet (54 203 m³) in March 1978.

For further information, contact Colin Sturton (613-992-5140), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6, or order the March issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50).

Fruit and Vegetable Production, May 1979 — Advance Information

The May publication, the first issue of the season, contains final 1978 value and production data for most fruits and vegetables. Supplements in this issue include preliminary results of both the 1978 mushroom growers' survey and the leaf tobacco production and value survey.

Intended 1979 area of vegetables for processing appears in the accompanying table along with the 1978 harvested area. Complete results of the processors' survey appear in the publication.

For further information, order *Fruit and Vegetable Production* (22-003, 40¢/\$3), or contact Larry Murphy (613-995-1226), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.
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Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory Services staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island by telephoning 1-800-565-7192. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Intended Area of Vegetables for Processing

Item	Canada 1978 Harvested Area		Canada 1979 Intended Area		Percentage Change in Area
	Acres	Ha	Acres	Ha	
Beans	20,728	8 388	22,550	9 124	9
Corn	44,463	17 993	49,750	20 132	12
Peas	48,604	19 670	54,530	22 067	12
Tomatoes	24,342	9 851	22,510	9 109	-8
Asparagus	1,096	444	1,360	550	24
Carrots	2,415	977	2,620	1 060	8
Cucumbers	7,234	2 927	8,310	3 363	15
Brussels Sprouts	998	404	1,240	502	24

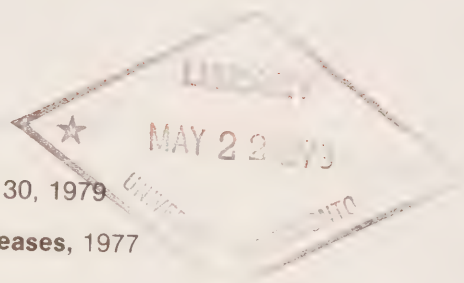
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41-216 (70¢) **Wire and Wire Products Manufacturers, 1977**

41-221 (70¢) **Ornamental and Architectural Metal Industry, 1977**

42-215 (70¢) **Commercial Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Equipment Manufacturers, 1977**

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Railway Carloadings

9-day period ending April 30, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	3,442,649	3,027,564	6,470,213
Short tons, 1978	2,177,941	2,944,417	5,122,358
Metric tonnes, 1979	3 123 119	2 746 560	5 869 679
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 975 795	2 671 130	4 646 925
% change	58.1	2.8	26.3
Cars, 1979	51,964	43,356	95,320
Cars, 1978	41,039	44,142	85,181
% change	26.6	-1.8	11.9
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	190,143	84,510	274,653
Short tons, 1978	212,636	78,406	291,042
Metric tonnes, 1979	172 495	76 666	249 161
Metric tonnes, 1978	192 900	71 129	264 029
% change	-10.6	7.8	-5.6
Cars, 1979	5,884	3,053	8,937
Cars, 1978	6,446	3,226	9,672
% change	-8.7	-5.4	-7.6
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	40,914,469	36,076,772	76,991,241
Short tons, 1978	37,045,177	35,943,684	72,988,861
Metric tonnes, 1979	37 116 982	32 728 297	69 845 279
Metric tonnes, 1978	33 606 819	32 607 562	66 214 381
% change	10.4	0.4	5.5
Cars, 1979	662,169	529,129	1,191,298
Cars, 1978	630,224	540,194	1,170,418
% change	5.1	-2.1	1.8
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,747,448	1,067,457	3,814,905
Short tons, 1978	2,838,389	1,016,760	3,855,149
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 492 443	968 381	3 460 824
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 574 943	922 389	3 497 332
% change	-3.2	5.0	-1.0
Cars, 1979	83,683	40,746	124,429
Cars, 1978	85,198	40,994	126,192
% change	-1.8	-0.6	-1.4

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 9 Days Ended April 30, 1979 —
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Canadian railways loaded 5.9 million t (6.5 million short tons) of revenue freight in the above-noted nine days, an increase of 26.3% over the corresponding 1978 period. Eastern loadings showed an increase of 58.1% (due primarily to strikes in the iron ore industry during 1978). Western traffic was up 2.8%.

Container-trailer (piggyback) loadings (included above) were down 10.6% in the East and up 7.8% west of the Lakehead to register an over-all decline of 5.6%.

In the first four months of 1979, railways loaded 69.8 million t (77.0 million short tons) of carload freight, up 5.5% from January-April 1978. During the latest period the number of cars loaded rose by 1.8%, while the volume of container-trailer (piggyback) traffic recorded a 1.0% decline.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Commu-

nications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Wholesale Trade, March 1979 — Advance Information
 Wholesale merchants' sales for March reached an estimated \$6,281,986,000, up 25.6% from \$5,000,929,000 in March 1978.

Wholesale inventories were valued at \$10,051,746,000, an increase of 24.4% from stocks of \$8,081,627,000 on hand at the end of March last year.

For further information, order the March issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Lubricating Oils and Greases

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3652		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	13	18	38
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	326	383	17
Man-hours paid	000's	678	807	19
Manufacturing wages	\$000	4,130	4,894	18
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	904	1,219	35
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	72,960	82,124	13
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	105,492	115,928	10
Value added	\$000	30,921	34,995	13
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	602	669	11
Total salaries and wages	\$000	8,602	10,297	20
Total value added	\$000	32,635	36,837	13

For further information, contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Petroleum Refineries*, 1977 (45-205, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Petroleum Refining Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3651		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	39	39	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	6,084	6,813	12
Man-hours paid	000's	13,070	14,344	10
Manufacturing wages	\$000	115,166	134,899	17
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	61,354	84,145	37
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	5,798,853	7,234,934	25
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	6,725,221	8,327,309	24
Value added	\$000	944,843	1,195,925	27
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	15,105	16,464	9
Total salaries and wages	\$000	298,260	353,981	19
Total value added	\$000	945,816	1,206,718	28

For further information, contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Petroleum Refineries*, 1977 (45-205, 70¢).

Production and Stocks of Eggs and Poultry, March 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian egg production decreased by 1.1% to 38.8 million dozen in March from 39.2 million dozen a year earlier. The average number of layers was down 0.2% to 23.3 million from 23.6 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers remained unchanged at 1,996.

For further information, order the March issue of *Production and Stocks of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-1225), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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For further information, contact David Van Luven (613-995-4198), Analysis and Development Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Commercial Printing Industry

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2860		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	1,978	1,908	-3.5
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	32,623	31,446	-3.6
Man-hours paid	000's	64,837	62,380	-3.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	368,533	397,338	7.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	10,362	12,044	16.2
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	613,032	668,617	9.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	1,465,026	1,585,184	8.2
Value added	\$000	844,338	915,656	8.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	43,353	42,498	-2.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	529,373	575,781	8.8
Total value added	\$000	858,249	932,299	8.6

For further information, contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries*, 1977 (36-203, \$1.05).

Construction-Type Plywood, March 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian mills shipped 265,829,000 square feet (235 232 m³) 3/8" (9.525 mm) basis of construction-type plywood in the month of March.

For further information, contact Patrick Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6, or order the March issue of *Construction Type Plywood* (35-001, 30¢/\$3).

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes, March 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 8,663,162 phonograph records in March, up from 6,899,883 in March 1978. Production of pre-recorded tapes (8-track cartridges and cassettes only) increased to 1,997,363 from 1,467,345.

For further information, order the March issue of *Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes In Canada* (47-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended May 12, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended May 12 was 347,947 short tons (315 652 t), an increase of 1.6% from the preceding week's total of 342,493 short tons (310 704 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 320,671 short tons (290 908 t).

The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 189.9 in the current week, 186.9 a week earlier and 175.0 a year earlier.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Refined Petroleum Products, 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian sales of refined petroleum products amounted to 564,050,000 barrels in 1977, down 0.2% from 564,969,000 barrels in 1976. Included were sales of kerosene and stove oil, light, heavy and diesel fuel oil, motor gasoline, lubricating oils and greases, aviation gasoline, aviation turbo fuel and asphalt.

For further information, order the 1977 issue of *Refined Petroleum Products — Consumption of Petroleum Products* (45-208, 70¢), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Checkstand Sacks by Canadian Manufacturers

	Eastern Canada		Western Canada		Canada Total	
	March 1978	1979	March 1978	1979	March 1978	1979
(thousands of bags)						
Standard Grocery Bags						
Size						
1/4 and 1/2	4,696	4,655	3,986	745	8,682	5,400
1					6,603	3,249
2	14,247	10,160	6,986	2,441	14,630	9,352
3 and 4	14,750	11,142	5,586	6,487	20,336	17,629
5	28,377	23,291	6,304	4,303	34,681	27,594
6	6,178	5,842	6,293	3,155	12,471	8,997
7					6,311	4,283
8	17,791	13,028	8,717	11,097	20,197	19,842
10	22,872	16,730	5,936	4,157	28,808	20,887
12	8,179	6,997	3,971	4,042	12,150	11,039
14	14,749	9,212	6,259	4,984	21,008	14,196
20	30,918	21,149	9,230	7,150	40,148	28,299
Total	162,757	122,206	63,268	48,561	226,025	170,767
Checkstand Sacks						
No. 1	13,781	11,812	5,023	6,736	18,804	18,548
No. 2	17,237	10,566	—	—	17,237	10,566
No. 3	40,287	47,841	21,729	29,860	62,016	77,701
Nos. 4 and 5	2,754	2,044	—	—	2,754	2,044
Total	74,059	72,263	26,752	36,596	100,811	108,859

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Checkstand Sacks by Canadian Manufacturers

	Eastern Canada		Western Canada		Canada Total	
	First 3 Months 1978	1979	First 3 Months 1978	1979	First 3 Months 1978	1979
(thousands of bags)						
Standard Grocery Bags						
Size						
1/4 and 1/2	9,363	10,998	7,131	3,938	16,494	14,936
1					14,121	12,143
2	30,849	28,273	13,020	10,523	29,748	26,653
3 and 4	36,841	32,357	14,002	21,756	50,843	54,113
5	76,834	74,953	15,785	16,084	92,619	91,037
6	15,960	15,354	12,515	15,922	28,475	31,276
7					15,813	11,991
8	41,426	37,263	21,410	39,354	47,023	64,626
10	58,558	52,911	12,891	16,189	71,449	69,100
12	18,168	18,346	9,550	17,193	27,718	35,539
14	36,132	29,420	16,393	20,944	52,525	50,364
20	80,091	62,643	21,764	29,226	101,855	91,869
Total	404,222	362,518	144,461	191,129	548,683	553,647
Checkstand Sacks						
No. 1	36,982	31,113	17,034	24,498	54,016	55,611
No. 2	42,442	32,469	—	—	42,442	32,469
No. 3	101,434	123,524	72,370	119,790	173,804	243,314
Nos. 4 and 5	7,935	8,869	—	—	7,935	8,869
Total	188,793	195,975	89,404	144,288	278,197	340,263

For further information, contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

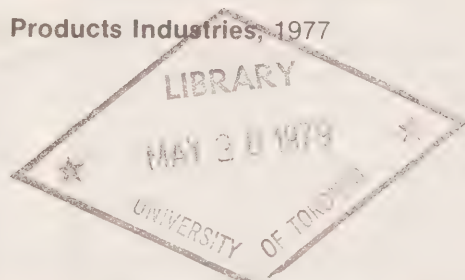
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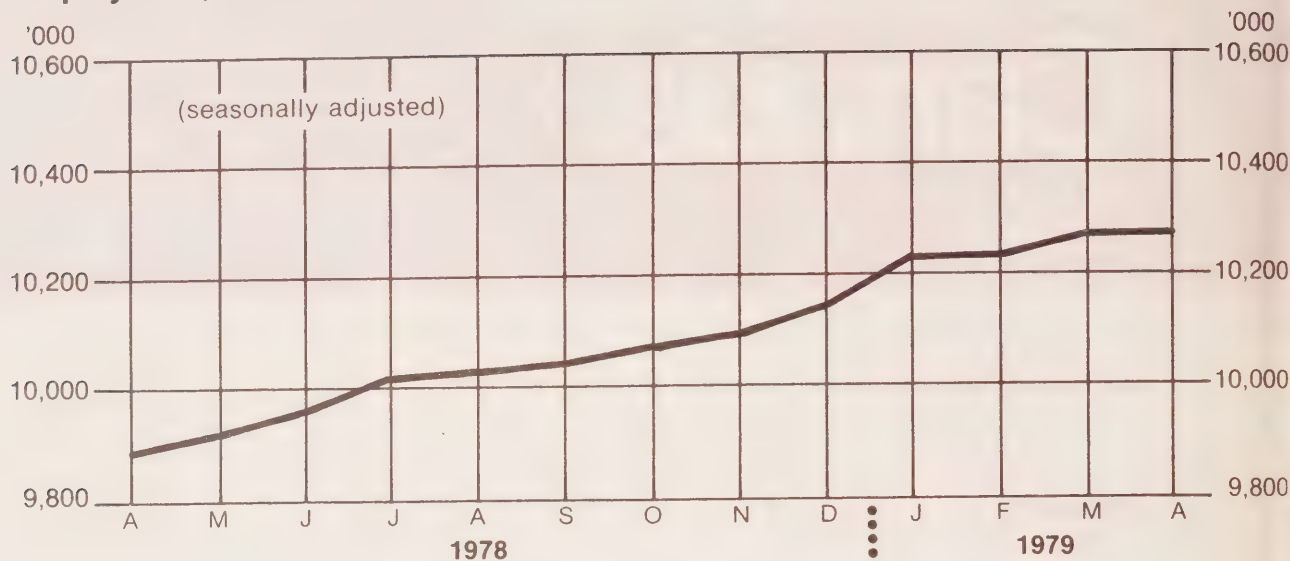
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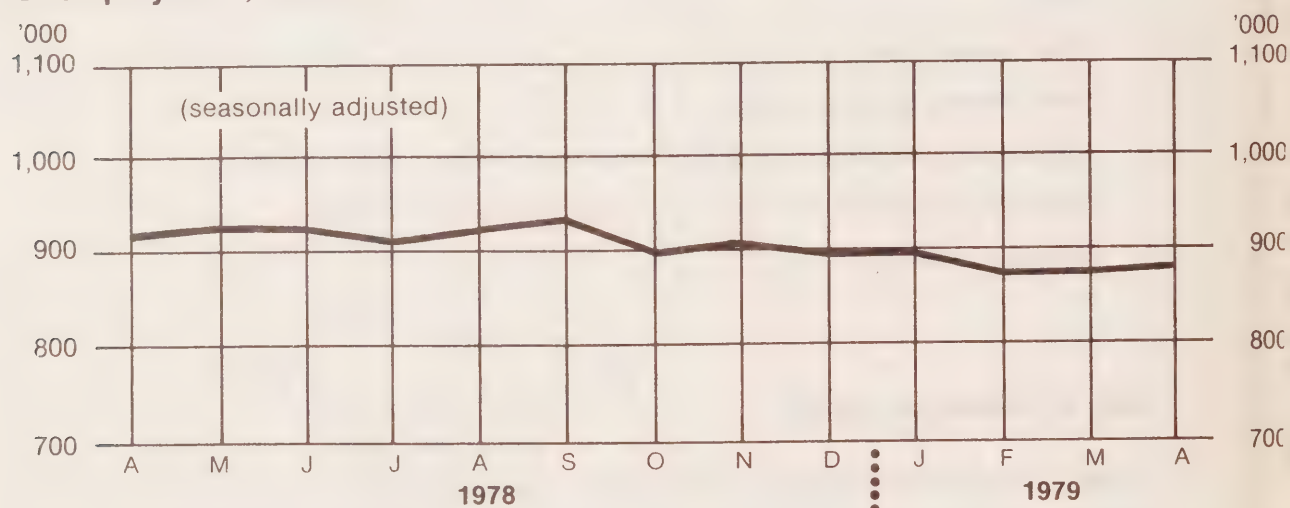
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- 35-002 (30¢/\$3) **Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies (Excluding Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island), February 1979**
- 47-211 (70¢) **Jewellery and Silverware Industry, 1977**
- 66-002 (15¢/\$1.50) **International Travel — Advance Information, March 1979**
- 81-222 (70¢) **Enrolment in Community Colleges, 1977-78**

Employment, Canada



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Labour Force Survey, April 1979

There was little change in the numbers of the employed or unemployed in April and Canada's seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate remained at 7.9%, unchanged from March. In April 1978, the rate was 8.5%.

The seasonally-adjusted participation rate of 63.3% in April was unchanged from March. The employment/population ratio decreased to 58.3% from 58.4% in the preceding month.

Last month, the seasonally-adjusted level of employment was 10,273,000, little changed from March. The employment level increased by 4,000 for men aged 15 to 24, and by 8,000 for men 25 and over. The level decreased by 6,000 for women 15-24 and by 4,000 for women 25 and over.

Unemployment, seasonally adjusted, totalled 880,000, up 4,000 from March. The level increased for men 15-24 (+4,000) and for women 15-24 (+3,000), while it showed little change for men 25 and over and for women 25 and over.

Seasonally-adjusted April unemployment rates for the provinces, with March rates in brackets: Newfoundland 15.7% (17.6%); Prince Edward Island 12.4% (12.2%); Nova Scotia 10.8% (11.0%); New Brunswick 12.1% (12.1%); Quebec 10.2% (10.6%); Ontario 6.7% (6.7%); Manitoba 6.3% (5.2%); Saskatchewan 4.2% (4.2%); Alberta 4.3% (3.7%); and British Columbia 8.2% (8.0%).

Without seasonal adjustment, the April labour force totalled 10,947,000 with 10,004,000 employed and 943,000 unemployed for an unemployment rate of 8.6%. In March, the labour force was 10,932,000 with 9,956,000 employed and 976,000 unemployed for a rate of 8.9%. In April 1978, the labour force numbered 10,617,000 with 9,632,000 employed and 986,000 unemployed for a rate of 9.3%.

For further information, order the April issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

Industrial Corporations' Financial Statistics

First Quarter 1979

	Year-over-Year Change					
	Sales		Net income before Extraordinary items		Net income after Extraordinary items	
	(\$ millions)	%	(\$ millions)	%	(\$ millions)	%
All industries						
1st Qtr. 1979	88,879		3,948		4,095	
1st Qtr. 1978	75,421r		2,573r		2,587r	
Change	13,458	17.8	1,375	53.4	1,508	58.3
Mining industries						
1st Qtr. 1979	4,325		711		750	
1st Qtr. 1978	3,943		570		556	
Change	382	9.7	141	24.7	194	34.9
Manufacturing industries						
1st Qtr. 1979	39,574		1,925		1,917	
1st Qtr. 1978	32,202		1,118		1,141	
Change	7,372	22.9	807	72.2	776	68.0
Other industries						
1st Qtr. 1979	44,980		1,312		1,428	
1st Qtr. 1978	39,276r		885r		890r	
Change	5,704	14.5	427	48.2	538	60.4

Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics (Preliminary Data), First Quarter 1979 (61-003p, free to subscribers)

The accompanying table presents highlights of preliminary financial statistics of Canadian industrial corporations for the first quarter of 1979. Not included in the totals are data for construction, real estate, agriculture, fishing and trapping industries, financial institutions, and government enterprises.

Data users should note that the preliminary estimates of quarterly profits included in publication 61-003p are subject to revision and may not necessarily coincide with the final data shown in the quarterly publication 61-003. For further information, contact Randy Martelock (613-995-9751), Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber, March 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian production of rubber increased to 52,870,000 pounds (23 981 000 kg) in March 1979 from 47,515,000 pounds (21 553 000 kg) a year earlier. Consumption* of rubber in March 1979 was 64,386,000 pounds (29 205 000 kg).

* Users of these data should note that there has been a change in methodology, commencing with January 1979 statistics.

For further information, order the March issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Shipping Statistics, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary 1978 shipping data on *Coastwise Shipping Statistics* (catalogue 54-210) are now available. This new volume will replace *Shipping Report: Part III, Coastwise Shipping* (54-204) and the coastwise shipping data contained in the publications: *Shipping Report: Part IV, Origin and Destination for Selected Ports* (54-206) and *Shipping Report: Part V, Origin and Destination for Selected Commodities* (54-207).

The annual publications which contained international shipping statistics: *Shipping Report, Part I: International Seaborne Shipping (by Country)* (54-202); *Shipping Report, Part II: International Seaborne Shipping (By Port)* (54-203); *Shipping Report, Part IV: Origin and Destination for Selected Ports* (54-206) and *Shipping Report, Part V: Origin and Destination for Selected Commodities* (54-207) have all been cancelled. However, annual international shipping statistics for 1978 are now available on tape and although these will not be published, they are available on request.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9274), Water Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Miscellaneous Petroleum and Coal Products Industries

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3690		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	46	46	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	689	500	-27
Man-hours paid	000's	1,498	1,102	-26
Manufacturing wages	\$000	8,298	6,773	-18
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,206	2,869	-11
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	47,594	46,945	-1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	92,085	89,428	-3
Value added	\$000	41,448	41,757	1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	982	716	-27
Total salaries and wages	\$000	13,454	10,819	-20
Total value added	\$000	45,750	44,390	-3

For further information, contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Petroleum and Coal Products Industries, 1977* (45-207, 70¢).

New Primary Sites of Cancer, 1976 — Advance Information

Provincial cancer registries, excluding the Ontario registry, reported 42,732 newly diagnosed cases of cancer in 1976.

Detailed tables on cancer incidence, mortality and hospital morbidity will be published in *Cancer in Canada, 1976* (82-207). For further information, contact A. Malhotra (613-995-9593), Vital Statistics and Disease Registries Section, Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

New Primary Sites of Cancer

1976 — Advance Information

Province of Residence	Number	Rate per 100,000 Population
Canada	42,732	290.1
Newfoundland	1,322	237.0
Prince Edward Island	428	362.0
Nova Scotia	2,254	272.0
New Brunswick	2,187	322.9
Quebec	14,534	233.1
Ontario	.	.
Manitoba	3,796	371.6
Saskatchewan	3,307	358.9
Alberta	5,091	277.0
British Columbia	9,710	393.7
Yukon	19	87.0
Northwest Territories	84	197.1

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22-002 (\$5.60 for series of 20) **Field Crop Reporting Series**, No. 5, Telegraphic Crop Report, Prairie Provinces — Available May 17, 1979 at 3 p.m.

23-205 (35¢) **Wool Production and Supply**, 1978

41-002 (15¢/\$1.50) **Steel Ingots and Pig Iron**, April 1979

46-002 (15¢/\$1.50) **Specified Chemicals**, March 1979

61-003 (\$1.75/\$7) **Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics**, Fourth Quarter 1978

62-001 (30¢/\$3) **Consumer Price Index**, April 1979 — Available Friday, May 18, 1979 at 7 a.m.

65-007 (80¢/\$8) **Imports by Commodities**, February 1979

Service Bulletins:

32-023 (\$1.40 per year) **Fruit and Vegetable Preservation** — Vol. 7, 1978: No. 13, Pack of Processed Pumpkin and Squash; No. 15, Pack of Processed Carrots

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1978 Dec.	1979 Jan.	1979 Feb.	1979 Mar.	% Change
Index of Industrial Production	29.230	137.9	138.6	139.5	139.9	0.3
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	106.8	107.3	110.7	112.0	1.2
Metal mines	1.584	84.9	87.3	86.1	90.2	4.8
Mineral fuels	1.492	120.6	120.3	129.5	127.8	-1.3
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	124.0	121.8	126.0	128.2	1.7
Manufacturing industries	22.753	140.5	140.8	140.9	141.5	0.4
Food and beverage industries	3.107	117.1	120.2	118.5	119.3	0.7
Tobacco products industries	.212	116.1	111.4	117.2	121.8	3.9
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	231.0	230.8	234.0	239.0	2.1
Leather industries	.206	107.9	109.4	109.6	108.8	-0.7
Textile industries	.769	139.6	142.4	140.8	141.4	0.4
Knitting mills	.205	140.7	129.4	132.2	128.1	-3.1
Clothing industries	.742	134.7	131.1	130.3	130.6	0.2
Wood industries	.968	161.0	147.3	144.1	142.0	-1.5
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	139.3	142.2	137.8	138.1	0.2
Paper and allied industries	1.841	132.1	134.9	133.7	136.5	2.1
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	136.0	136.3	140.1	140.8	0.5
Primary metal industries	1.976	128.1	127.3	126.8	124.2	-2.1
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.957	126.1	125.5	128.0	126.6	-1.1
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.001	160.9	162.0	166.5	168.9	1.4
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	158.2	159.6	157.0	161.0	2.5
Electrical products industries	1.631	129.5	128.4	128.8	129.3	0.4
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	154.4	158.6	162.2	161.5	-0.4
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	137.1	141.8	135.9	139.1	2.4
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.362	155.0	158.4	163.2	160.6	-1.6
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	146.9	144.8	142.0	144.1	1.5
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.658	161.0	164.7	169.0	165.5	-2.1
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.324	138.0	139.5	139.6	140.6	0.7
Durable manufacturing industries	11.429	142.9	142.2	142.2	142.5	0.2

Index of Industrial Production, March 1979 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted index of industrial production (1971=100) increased 0.3% to 139.9 in March from 139.5 in February. Mining and manufacturing output increased, while utilities declined during the month.

For further information, order the March issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)* (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see table on next page)

million, +33.4%; Toronto, \$88.3 million, +11.8%; Winnipeg, \$30.3 million, +2.3%; and Vancouver, \$61.0 million, +9.9%.

Inventories held in March 1979 were valued at \$2,233.3 million (at selling price), an increase of 21.8% over March 1978. Stocks were higher in 38 of the 40 departments.

For further information, order the March 1979 issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Department Store Sales and Stocks, March 1979 — Advance Information

Department store sales rose to \$609.7 million in March, an increase of 13.6% from the \$536.6 million recorded in March 1978.

Sales were up in 37 of the 40 departments in the latest month with the largest gains posted by furs (+130.7%), women's, misses' and children's footwear (+38.9%) and girl's and teenage girls' wear (+37.8%). All provinces reported increased sales ranging from 29.3% for Quebec to 3.0% for Prince Edward Island. In metropolitan areas: Montreal sales totalled \$78.9

Index of Industrial Production

(1971 = 100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

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Pulpwood and Wood Residue, March 1979 — Advance Information

Roundwood production increased 1.2% to 1,179,352 cunits (3 339 547 m3) in March from 1,165,274 cunits (3 299 681 m3) a year earlier. Receipts of wood residue increased 18.7% to 1,283,715 cunits (3 635 069 m3) from 1,081,123 cunits (3 061 393 m3).

Consumption of roundwood and wood residue increased by 20.3% to 3,042,732 cunits (8 616 044 m3) from 2,529,074 cunits (7 161 528 m3) and the closing inventory of these two products decreased by 9.6% to 8,654,937 cunits (24 508 011 m3) from 9,576,317 cunits (27 117 065 m3).

For further information, order the March issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Colin Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Refined Petroleum Products, March 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary data for March show that net sales of all refined petroleum products amounted to 53,408,000 barrels (8 487 thousand cubic metres), an increase of 2.5% over the March 1978 total of 52,118,000 barrels (8 282 thousand cubic metres).

Canadian refineries produced 61,765,000 barrels (9 815 thousand cubic metres) of refined petroleum products in March, up 16.0% from 53,231,000 barrels (8 459 thousand cubic metres) in March 1978.

For further information, order the March issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, 40¢/\$4), or contact G.R. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Building Permits

February 1979

	Number of Dwelling Units			Value of Residential and Non-Residential Construction				
	Singles	Multiples	Total	Residen- tial	Indus- trial	Commer- cial (\$'000)	Institu- tional and govern- mental	Total
Newfoundland	11	1	12	482	283	418	602	1,785
Prince Edward Island	33	6	39	1,274	91	461	30	1,856
Nova Scotia	122	19	141	5,155	2,922	3,744	976	12,797
New Brunswick	30	2	32	1,405	1,295	2,907	15,327	20,934
Quebec	737	1,248	1,985	55,963	6,606	24,111	7,636	94,316
Ontario	671	1,661	2,332	81,463	17,466	76,456	12,908	188,293
Manitoba	73	58	131	5,462	933	14,059	333	20,787
Saskatchewan	111	227	338	12,013	728	6,314	5,105	24,160
Alberta	801	806	1,607	67,010	6,018	32,201	16,208	121,437
British Columbia	718	616	1,334	50,485	12,050	20,001	6,663	89,199
Yukon	5	—	5	209	314	772	175	1,470
Northwest Territories	1	—	1	34	135	24	—	193
Canada — Unadjusted	3,313	4,644	7,957	280,955	48,841	181,468	65,963	577,227
Canada — Adjusted	7,075	7,300	14,375	513,670	92,656	239,724	100,684	946,734
Metropolitan Areas	2,136	3,220	5,356	198,272	26,868	147,631	49,303	422,074
Calgary	304	369	673	27,256	3,446	10,286	3,552	44,540
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	20	12	32	1,076	171	383	60	1,690
Edmonton	320	255	575	26,305	605	12,763	10,626	50,299
Halifax	38	10	48	2,152	412	1,167	816	4,547
Hamilton	21	36	57	2,166	782	16,892	697	20,537
Hull	8	—	8	572	400	932	137	2,041
Kitchener	20	—	20	965	1,753	3,935	61	6,714
London	51	—	51	2,218	71	391	20	2,700
Montreal	338	561	899	27,585	1,631	13,022	4,663	46,901
Oshawa	10	—	10	477	223	499	2	1,201
Ottawa	68	230	298	8,927	163	2,207	2,837	14,134
Quebec	120	127	247	7,240	221	3,283	1,489	12,233
Regina	27	2	29	1,445	300	2,588	1,713	6,046
St. Catharines-Niagara	11	—	11	804	411	1,399	105	2,719
Saint John	5	—	5	511	1,235	2,342	13,758	17,846
St. John's	9	—	9	377	160	233	600	1,370
Saskatoon	53	46	99	4,238	350	2,551	2	7,141
Sudbury	4	—	4	226	26	2,765	—	3,017
Thunder Bay	6	8	14	578	—	839	21	1,438
Toronto	242	1,235	1,477	49,033	9,309	41,042	1,960	101,344
Vancouver	305	267	572	24,018	3,232	11,791	1,346	40,387
Victoria	44	—	44	2,521	295	1,861	3,726	8,403
Windsor	49	4	53	2,712	919	792	816	5,239
Winnipeg	63	58	121	4,870	753	13,668	296	19,587

*Preliminary figures.*For further information order *Building Permits* (64-001, 70¢/\$7).**Building Permits, February 1979 — Advance Information**

The value of building permits issued by Canadian municipalities during February was estimated at a seasonally-adjusted level of \$946.7 million, down 3.6% from a revised \$981.8 million in January. In February 1978, the value of permits issued was \$971.4 million.

Residential permits decreased 6.0% in February to a seasonally-adjusted \$513.7 million from \$546.7 million in January. Approval to build was given for 7,075 new single-detached dwellings and 7,300 collective dwellings in February compared to 8,337 single-detached and 5,882 multiple dwellings in January. (In annual terms, these figures suggest housing starts at a seasonally-adjusted annual rate of approximately 170,000 units in the coming months.)

Non-residential permits remained stable during February at a seasonally-adjusted rate of \$433.1 million (\$435.1 million in January). New industrial construction authorized was estimated at \$92.7 million

(\$88.5 million in January), commercial construction totalled \$239.7 million (\$229.5 million) and institutional projects \$100.7 million (\$117.0 million).

During the first two months of 1979, the value of building permits issued was up from the corresponding period in 1978 in Nova Scotia (+40.5%), New Brunswick (+130.3%), Quebec (+2.7%) and Saskatchewan (+3.5%). Decreases were registered in Newfoundland (-52.5%), Prince Edward Island (-56.1%), Ontario (-5.4%), Manitoba (-23.8%), Alberta (-5.1%) and British Columbia (-13.3%); in these provinces, the decreases resulted from a weakening in residential permits issued.

For further information, order the February issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, 70¢/\$7), or contact J.P. Delisle (613-995-8213), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see table on next page)

Building Permits

(million of dollars)

		1978					1979				
		Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total	Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total
Canada —	Jan.	279.4	48.0	116.2	94.2	537.8	268.3	47.9	155.7	66.5	538.4
Unadjusted	Feb.	350.6	47.5	140.6	84.8	623.5	281.0	48.8	181.4	66.0	577.2
Canada —	Jan.	611.0	89.0	188.4	161.9	1,050.3	546.8	88.5	229.5	117.0	981.8
Adjusted	Feb.	593.9	84.2	173.7	119.6	971.4	513.7	92.6	239.7	100.7	946.7
Canada Jan.-Feb.											
Unadjusted		630.0	95.5	256.8	179.0	1,161.3	549.3	96.7	337.1	132.5	1,115.6
Newfoundland		3.0	0.1	2.2	1.6	6.9	1.0	0.4	1.0	0.9	3.3
Prince Edward Island		2.2	0.3	1.4	2.5	6.4	1.9	0.2	0.6	0.1	2.8
Nova Scotia		15.7	0.4	2.6	11.9	30.6	14.9	3.6	15.6	8.8	42.9
New Brunswick		3.0	3.2	5.3	1.5	13.0	2.5	5.8	5.5	16.1	29.9
Quebec		98.8	12.0	31.7	23.9	166.4	97.9	12.3	41.7	19.0	170.9
Ontario		171.0	48.7	76.2	29.9	325.8	131.7	38.7	113.8	24.0	308.2
Manitoba		29.0	1.4	11.2	23.0	64.6	17.5	1.3	29.3	1.1	49.2
Saskatchewan		26.6	0.8	9.6	9.9	46.9	22.1	1.4	14.4	10.7	48.6
Alberta		169.0	17.8	58.1	53.3	298.2	160.6	14.8	70.8	36.7	282.9
British Columbia		111.0	10.8	57.3	21.5	200.6	97.7	17.7	43.4	15.1	173.9
N.W.T. and Yukon		0.7	0.0	1.2	0.0	1.9	1.5	0.5	1.0	0.0	3.0

Preliminary Monthly Report of Petroleum Sales

March 1979

(Thousands Cubic Metres)

										Motor Gasoline by Grade		
	Motor Gasoline	Aviation Turbo Fuel (Kero.)	Aviation Turbo Fuel (Naptha)	Kero. & Stove Oil	Diesel Fuel	Light Fuel Oil	Heavy Fuel Oil	Other Products	Total Products	Pre-mium	No-Lead	Regular
Nfld.	49	15	3	11	32	53	56	2	221	4	15	30
P.E.I.	13	—	1	3	1	18	7	2	45	2	3	8
N.S.	95	6	3	16	55	123	176	13	487	10	27	58
N.B.	83	1	4	11	26	86	189	10	410	6	22	55
Que.	694	59	22	57	192	596	484	273	2 377	140	178	376
Ont.	1 009	84	29	23	242	583	406	380	2 756	98	289	622
Man.	127	4	15	20	46	28	9	12	261	3	27	97
Sask.	147	—	7	19	57	28	—	14	272	3	18	126
Alta.	370	34	28	10	197	18	12	76	745	20	69	281
B.C.	320	18	30	15	204	105	107	66	865	26	59	235
Yukon	4	1	—	4	1	5	—	1	16	—	1	3
N.W.T.	4	3	4	3	8	10	—	—	32	—	1	3
Canada	2 915	225	146	192	1 061	1 653	1 446	849	8 487	312	709	1 894
Canada '78	2 824	204	131	223	978	1 845	1 354	723	8 282	310	678	1 836
Change 79 '78	3.2	10.3	11.4	-13.9	8.5	-4.0	6.8	17.4	2.5	0.6	4.6	3.2

Selected Principal Statistics for Sawmills and Planing Mills

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2513		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	1,213	1,132	-6.7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	47,838	51,532	7.7
Man-hours paid	000's	100,890	107,850	6.9
Manufacturing wages	\$000	641,722	774,805	20.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	68,897	87,687	27.3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	1,603,592	1,925,124	20.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	2,878,325	3,672,730	27.6
Value added	\$000	1,262,426	1,718,629	36.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	56,402	60,445	7.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	774,077	930,247	20.2
Total value added	\$000	1,267,925	1,722,880	35.9

For further information, contact P.E. Martin (613-992-5140), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Sawmills and Planing Mills, 1977* (35-204, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Communications Equipment Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3350		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	261	250	-4.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	24,136	21,929	-9.2
Man-hours paid	000's	50,149	45,392	-9.5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	265,721	262,859	-1.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	7,280	8,420	15.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	506,197	495,021	-2.3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	1,383,162	1,441,330	4.2
Value added	\$000	864,324	937,762	8.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	38,467	36,676	-4.7
Total salaries and wages	\$000	498,665	516,261	3.5
Total value added	\$000	953,838	1,013,449	6.2

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Communications Equipment Manufacturers, 1977* (43-206, 70¢).

Tobacco Products — Cigarettes and Cigars, April 1979 — Advance Information

Cigarette production in April at 5.6 billion was up from 5.5 billion in April 1978. Production of cigars decreased to 35.5 million from 40.2 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the April issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Telephone Statistics, Preliminary Report on Large Telephone Systems, 1978 — Advance Information

Canada's 14 major telephone systems reported revenues of \$4,424 million in 1978, up 16.1% over 1977. Operating expenses increased 13.3% to \$2,958 million. Net operating revenue at \$1,467 million showed an increase of 22.1% over 1977. Telephone toll messages increased 9.2% to 1,083 million.

For further information, order the 1978 issue of *Telephone Statistics, Preliminary Report on Large Telephone Systems* (56-202, 35¢), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Fixed Capital Flows and Stocks

Fixed capital flows and stocks are now available on CANSIM to 1979, for Canada (not by province). The two most recent years are based, respectively, on preliminary and expected investment expenditures.

The breakdown of construction into building and engineering construction for these two years has been imputed on the basis of the 1977 disaggregation as compiled according to the Private and Public Investment Survey.

A description of the methodology used to derive the flows and stocks is given in the publication *Fixed Capital Flows and Stocks* (catalogue 13-211). For further information, contact Ms. R. Hoyt (613-995-8152), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Fabricated Structural Steel Indexes

Updated indexes for fabricated structural steel are now available. Quarterly and annual figures are available to the 1st quarter of 1979 and may be retrieved from CANSIM matrix 125. For further information, contact A.A. Near (613-995-5761), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

- 71-001 (55¢/\$5.50) **The Labour Force**, April 1979
- 21-001 (30¢/\$3) **Farm Cash Receipts**, January to March 1979
- 23-207 (70¢) **Fur Production**, Season 1977-78
- 35-208 (70¢) **Miscellaneous Wood Industries**, 1977
- 41-001 (40¢/\$4) **Primary Iron and Steel**, February 1979
- 43-005 (15¢/\$1.50) **Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries**, March 1979
- 43-204 (70¢) **Manufacturers of Major Appliances, Electric and Non-electric**, 1977
- 45-001 (15¢/\$1.50) **Asphalt Roofing**, March 1979
- 46-215 (70¢) **Manufacturers of Toilet Preparations**, 1977
- 55-001 (30¢/\$3) **Oil Pipe Line Transport**, February 1979
- 62-007 (40¢/\$4) **Construction Price Statistics**, April 1979
- 62-010 (\$1.40/\$5.60) **Consumer Prices and Price Indexes**, January-March 1979
- 63-014 (40¢/\$4) **Merchandising Inventories**, January 1979
- 72-008 (40¢/\$4) **Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry**, January 1979

Capacity Utilization Rates in Canadian Manufacturing, First Quarter 1979 — Advance Information

Capacity utilization in Canadian manufacturing industries rose to 89.6% in the first quarter of 1979, up from 88.8% in the fourth quarter of 1978.

Durable manufacturing increased to a level of 87.5% of capacity from 86.8% in the fourth quarter of 1978. Non-durable manufacturing rose to 91.7% from 90.8%.

The utilization rates have been revised due to the fourth quarter revision of the production indexes and the update of the capital stock estimates which have also been adjusted for pollution abatement expenditures. The following industries showed a substantial change in the first quarter of 1979 from the fourth quarter 1978 level, which is in line with the behaviour of their indexes of production: rubber and plastic products (100.0%, from 96.1%); non-metallic mineral products (93.6%, from 86.5%); knitting mills (91.6%, from 100.0%); wood (75.1%, from 84.7%).

In the first quarter of 1979, the following industries were shown as operating at high capacity levels: rubber and plastic products 100.0%; textile 100.0%; knitting mills 91.6%; clothing 96.5%; paper and allied industries 94.2%; printing, publishing and allied industries 98.9%; machinery 94.6%; transportation equipment 100.0%; non-metallic mineral products 93.6%; miscellaneous manufacturing 98.7%.

A description of the methodology used to derive the rates is given in the publication *Capacity Utilization Rates in Canadian Manufacturing* (31-003, \$1.40/\$5.60). For further information, contact Ms. R. Hoyt (613-995-8152), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. The data are available on CANSIM, from the first quarter of 1961 to the first quarter of 1979, by major manufacturing group according to the 1970 Standard Industrial Classification, with aggregates for durables, non-durables and total manufacturing.

Capacity Utilization Rates by Quarters

	Durable Manufacturing Industries	Non-durable Manufacturing Industries	Total Manufacturing Industries
1961			
I	64.9	81.7	73.3
II	66.9	82.2	74.5
III	68.1	83.8	76.0
IV	69.9	84.4	77.1
1962			
I	70.9	84.8	77.8
II	73.8	85.7	79.7
III	75.1	85.9	80.5
IV	75.8	84.9	80.3
1963			
I	76.2	85.3	80.8
II	77.4	86.5	81.9
III	77.4	86.6	82.0
IV	81.2	87.3	84.2
1964			
I	83.6	88.9	86.2
II	83.4	89.1	86.2
III	83.8	88.7	86.3
IV	85.3	89.7	87.5
1965			
I	88.1	88.7	88.4
II	89.5	88.1	88.8
III	89.0	89.2	89.1
IV	92.6	90.1	91.3
1966			
I	92.8	90.6	91.7
II	90.7	90.0	90.4
III	88.5	88.9	88.7
IV	88.9	88.5	88.7

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Capacity Utilization Rates by Quarters

	Durable Manufacturing Industries	Non-durable Manufacturing Industries	Total Manufacturing Industries
1967			
I	86.9	87.6	87.3
II	85.5	87.1	86.3
III	85.2	87.6	86.4
IV	84.6	86.5	85.6
1968			
I	82.2	86.9	84.5
II	85.9	87.0	86.5
III	87.7	85.7	86.7
IV	89.2	87.8	88.5
1969			
I	89.8	88.8	89.3
II	89.8	88.6	89.2
III	88.0	89.2	88.6
IV	86.4	88.0	87.2
1970			
I	85.5	87.5	86.5
II	81.8	85.8	83.8
III	80.3	84.5	82.4
IV	76.7	85.5	81.1
1971			
I	79.1	84.2	81.6
II	81.4	85.2	83.3
III	84.3	87.1	85.7
IV	84.4	87.2	85.8
1972			
I	83.3	86.6	84.9
II	83.9	88.9	86.4
III	84.7	89.2	86.9
IV	87.2	90.6	88.9
1973			
I	91.2	91.1	91.1
II	90.1	91.5	90.8
III	89.7	89.5	89.6
IV	91.4	91.8	91.6
1974			
I	93.5	92.6	93.0
II	91.1	90.8	91.0
III	89.1	88.3	88.7
IV	86.0	85.8	85.9
1975			
I	79.7	83.3	81.5
II	79.5	82.6	81.0
III	80.8	81.7	81.2
IV	81.4	80.9	81.2
1976			
I	81.3	83.2	82.3
II	82.5	85.2	83.8
III	80.7	84.2	82.4
IV	79.5	83.3	81.4
1977			
I	81.1	84.7	82.9
II	81.2	84.2	82.7
III	81.2	83.9	82.6
IV	81.8	84.6	83.2
1978			
I	80.6	87.0	83.8
II	83.8	87.9	85.9
III	85.0	89.6	87.3
IV	86.8	90.8	88.8
1979			
I	87.5	91.7	89.6

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, March 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates show manufacturers' shipments in March 1979, seasonally adjusted, were valued at \$12,444.5 million, up 1.8% from the revised February level of \$12,220.5 million. Durable goods shipments rose 2.4% to \$5,803.8 million from \$5,667.9 million while non-durable goods shipments were up 1.3% to \$6,640.7 million from \$6,552.6 million.

New orders in all manufacturing industries, seasonally adjusted, rose 4.6% to \$13,059.1 million from \$12,486.6 million (revised) in February. Durable goods new orders rose 7.9% to \$6,387.4 million from \$5,922.0 million and non-durable goods new orders were up 1.6% to \$6,671.7 million from \$6,564.6 million.

Seasonally-adjusted unfilled orders in all manufacturing industries in March 1979 were valued at \$15,058.7 million, 4.3% higher than the revised February value of \$14,444.1 million.

Total inventory owned, seasonally adjusted, at an estimated \$22,345.4 million was 2.8% higher than the revised February value of \$21,745.8 million. Total inventory held, seasonally adjusted, rose 2.2% to \$23,232.8 million from \$22,727.0 million with increases of 2.2%, 2.9% and 1.7% in raw materials, goods in process and finished products, respectively.

The seasonally-adjusted ratio of total inventory owned to shipments was 1.80:1 in March compared to 1.78:1 (revised) for February. The seasonally-adjusted ratio of finished products to shipments was 0.60:1, unchanged from the revised February estimate.

Not adjusted for seasonal variation, the preliminary estimate of the value of manufacturers' shipments in March at \$13,044.3 million showed an increase of 13.3% from the revised February level of \$11,511.8 million. Cumulative shipments for the first three months of 1979 were estimated at \$35,988.1 million, up 23.9% from the January-March 1978 total of \$29,047.0 million.

For further information, order the March issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries

(Based on 1975 Census of Manufacturers Benchmarks)

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Mar. 1979p	Feb. 1979r	Jan. 1979	Mar. 1978
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total	13,044.3	11,511.8	11,432.0	10,741.3
Non-durable	6,805.2	6,222.2	6,183.2	5,654.3
Durable	6,239.1	5,289.7	5,248.7	5,087.0
New Orders: Total	13,717.3	11,930.7	12,103.0	11,133.3
Non-durable	6,882.9	6,246.8	6,248.1	5,711.6
Durable	6,834.4	5,683.9	5,854.9	5,421.8
Unfilled Orders: Total	15,272.8	14,599.8	14,180.9	11,234.8
Non-durable	1,947.6	1,869.9	1,845.3	1,447.1
Durable	13,325.2	12,729.9	12,335.6	9,787.7
Inventory Owned: Total	22,759.5	22,065.5	21,408.6	19,411.1
Inventory Held: Total	23,644.3	23,043.7	22,339.8	20,445.4
Raw materials	9,425.6	9,226.1	9,052.1	8,220.4
Goods in process	6,407.5	6,273.7	6,108.9	5,319.9
Finished Products	7,811.2	7,543.9	7,178.8	6,905.1
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Shipments: Total	12,444.5	12,220.5	12,079.5	10,064.5
Non-durable	6,640.7	6,552.6	6,562.4	5,472.2
Durable	5,803.8	5,667.9	5,517.1	4,592.3
New Orders: Total	13,059.1	12,486.6	12,516.5	10,506.7
Non-durable	6,671.7	6,564.6	6,625.4	5,495.4
Durable	6,387.4	5,922.0	5,891.1	5,011.3
Unfilled Orders: Total	15,058.7	14,444.1	14,178.0	11,115.3
Non-durable	1,930.5	1,899.5	1,887.5	1,436.6
Durable	13,128.2	12,544.6	12,290.5	9,678.7
Inventory Owned: Total	22,345.4	21,745.8	21,289.9	19,024.9
Inventory Held: Total	23,232.8	22,727.0	22,230.3	20,056.6
Raw materials	9,447.0	9,240.2	9,013.9	8,245.5
Goods in process	6,333.1	6,156.0	6,064.2	5,220.8
Finished products	7,452.7	7,330.8	7,152.2	6,590.3
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	1.80	1.78	1.76	1.89
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.60	0.60	0.59	0.65

Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Not Seasonally Adjusted					
	Mar. 1979p	Feb. 1979r	% change	Jan.-Mar. 1979p	Jan.-Mar. 1978	% change
	(\$ millions)			(\$ millions)		
Newfoundland	64.1	58.9	8.8	182.4	158.7	14.9
Nova Scotia	262.7	227.0	15.7	730.6	613.3	19.1
New Brunswick	258.1	224.8	14.8	733.3	503.5	45.6
Quebec	3,285.5	3,096.7	6.1	9,311.3	7,658.3	21.6
Ontario	6,691.7	5,745.1	16.5	18,195.7	14,611.1	24.5
Manitoba	328.9	295.8	11.2	895.6	740.0	21.0
Saskatchewan	162.3	145.5	11.6	453.3	339.0	33.7
Alberta	730.1	620.2	17.7	1,988.1	1,628.7	22.1
British Columbia	1,246.7	1,085.0	14.9	3,458.4	2,763.4	25.1
Canada*	13,044.3	11,511.8	13.3	35,988.1	29,047.0	23.9

*Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding.

Farm Input Price Indexes

(1971=100)

	1st Quarter 1979	4th Quarter 1978	1st Quarter 1978	Percentage Change	
				1st Qtr. 79/ 4th Qtr. 78	1st Qtr. 79/ 1st Qtr. 78
Eastern Canada					
Total farm input(p)	218.8	207.8	189.4	5.3	15.5
Building and fencing	213.3	207.9	190.8	2.6	11.8
Machinery and motor vehicles	188.6	182.3	171.4	3.5	10.0
Crop production	233.7	228.8	217.8	2.1	7.3
Animal production	234.0	211.1	176.5	10.8	32.6
Supplies and services	185.0	177.8	169.2	4.0	9.3
Hired farm labour	216.0	212.9	203.0	1.5	6.4
Property taxes(p)	152.1	152.1	152.1	—	—
Interest(p)*	292.2	292.2	292.2	—	—
Farm rent(p)	219.3	219.3	219.3	—	—
Western Canada					
Total farm input(p)	223.3	210.6	192.4	6.0	16.1
Building and fencing	220.0	212.6	197.4	3.5	11.4
Machinery and motor vehicles	187.7	182.0	173.4	3.1	8.2
Crop production	239.0	233.0	218.8	2.6	9.2
Animal production	265.2	228.0	180.0	16.3	47.3
Supplies and services	185.0	178.0	170.3	3.9	8.6
Hired farm labour	247.4	245.4	232.9	0.8	6.2
Property taxes(p)	148.2	148.2	148.2	—	—
Interest(p)*	278.6	278.6	278.6	—	—
Farm rent(p)	228.5	228.5	228.5	—	—
Canada					
Total farm input(p)	221.0	209.2	190.8	5.6	15.8
Building and fencing	216.0	209.9	193.5	2.9	11.6
Machinery and motor vehicles	188.0	182.1	172.6	3.2	8.9
Crop production	235.6	230.2	217.9	2.3	8.1
Animal production	247.0	218.2	178.0	13.2	38.8
Supplies and services	185.0	177.9	169.6	4.0	9.1
Hired farm labour	228.0	225.4	214.5	1.2	6.3
Property taxes(p)	149.8	149.8	149.8	—	—
Interest(p)*	284.5	284.5	284.5	—	—
Farm rent(p)	225.5	225.5	225.5	—	—

p Preliminary figures.

p* Preliminary for 1979.

— Nil.

For further information, order the first quarter issue of *Farm Input Price Indexes* (62-004, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact the Information Unit (613-995-5738), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

March 1979 — Advance Information

	Domestic		Export		Total	
	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Ingot and semi-finished shapes	44,840	40 678	16,676	15 129	61,516	55 807
Rails	21,257	19 284	20,450	18 551	41,707	37 835
Wire rods	66,184	60 039	26,140	23 714	92,324	83 753
Structural shapes:						
Heavy	55,957	50 764	12,484	11 325	68,441	62 089
Bar-sized shapes	13,200	11 975	879	797	14,079	12 772
Concrete reinforcing bars	54,437	49 384	42	38	54,479	49 422
Other hot rolled bars	109,678	99 498	18,973	17 212	128,651	116 710
Tie plates and track material	8,832	8 013	2,139	1 940	10,971	9 953
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes)	132,057	119 800	22,290	20 223	154,347	140 023
Hot rolled sheets and strip	255,088	231 409	15,453	14 019	270,541	245 428
Cold finished bars	11,154	10 120	447	406	11,601	10 526
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled						
other, coated	176,494	160 115	10,233	9 283	186,727	169 398
Galvanized sheets	99,446	90 216	12,793	11 605	112,239	101 821
Total	1,048,624	951 295	158,999	144 242	1,207,623	1 095 537

*Producers' shipments excluding producers' interchange.

For further information, order the March issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Airport Activity, October 1978 — Advance Information

Airport activity statistics for the top 50 airports in Canada are now available for the month of October 1978.

The accompanying table provides statistics on total scheduled enplaned plus deplaned passengers at the country's top 10 airports for October 1978, with comparative data for October 1977 and the percentage changes between the two periods.

The complete airport tables and further information may be obtained by contacting E. DiSanza (819-997-1986), Airport Activity Survey, Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Airport Activity

October 1977 and 1978

	1978	1977	% Change
Toronto	918,272	888,851	3.3
Montreal	463,157	455,021	1.8
Vancouver	430,761	420,118	2.5
Calgary	236,537	214,813	10.1
Winnipeg	164,959	161,842	1.9
Ottawa	146,247	145,178	0.7
Edmonton	137,700	127,554	8.0
Halifax	117,000	113,078	3.5
Mirabel	85,175	85,048	0.1
Edmonton Municipal	66,624	63,964	4.2

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, May 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter were up to 51.9 million pounds on May 1 from last year's corresponding total of 51.0 million, and stocks of cheddar cheese were up to 67.2 million pounds from 57.6 million. Stocks of skim milk powder decreased to 30.7 million pounds from 63.6 million while stocks of evaporated whole milk increased to 18.9 million pounds from 17.4 million.

For further information, order the May issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Dairy Factory Production, April 1979 — Advance Information

Production of creamery butter decreased 10.3% in April to 8 379 metric tonnes from 9 341 tonnes a year earlier. Cheddar cheese production increased 24.2% to 8 354 tonnes from 6 724 tonnes, and production of ice cream mix increased 25.2% to 12 899 kilolitres from 10 301 kilolitres.

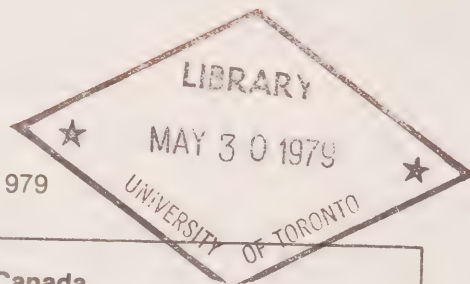
For further information, order the April issue of *Dairy Factory Production* (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact C.M. Riach (613-995-1225), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Apparent Per Capita Food Consumption in Canada

Apparent per capita food consumption data for the years 1960 to 1977 are now available on CANSIM's CROSS-CLASSIFIED database. The information available includes complete supply and disposition analyses as well as per capita disappearance data in both retail and product weights. The data are available directly via terminal or on computer printouts.

For information on content, contact K.C. Wardley (613-995-4877), Horticultural Crops Unit, Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

For information on system access, contact the CROSS-CLASSIFIED Section (613-995-7406), CANSIM Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6, or the Statistics Canada User Advisory Services office in your area.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

11-510 (\$1.05) Towards a Comprehensive Framework for Environmental Statistics: A Stress-response Approach, 1979

41-006 (15¢/\$1.50) Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, March 1979

44-205 (70¢) Concrete Products Manufacturers, 1977

53-003 (15¢/\$1.50) Urban Transit, February 1979

61-005 (40¢/\$4) Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry, February 1979

63-002 (40¢/\$4) Department Store Sales and Stocks, February 1979

65-001 (40¢/\$4) Summary of External Trade, March 1979

Service Bulletins:

32-023 (\$1.40 per year) Fruit and Vegetable Preservation — Vol. 7, 1978: No. 12, Pack of Processed Apricots; No. 14, Pack of Processed Beets

The Consumer Price Index and Major Components, Canada

(1971=100)

	Indexes			Percentage Change	
				April 1979 from	
	Apr. 1979	Mar. 1979	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1979	Apr. 1978
All items	187.9	186.6	171.2	0.7	9.8
Food	233.5	231.3	200.4	1.0	16.5
All items excluding food	173.3	172.3	161.2	0.6	7.5
Housing	183.7	182.7	171.3	0.5	7.2
Clothing	156.4	155.5	143.2	0.6	9.2
Transportation	173.1	171.4	159.8	1.0	8.3
Health and personal care	178.3	177.7	163.3	0.3	9.2
Recreation, reading and education	154.0	153.6	145.8	0.3	5.6
Tobacco and alcohol	162.4	161.6	154.0	0.5	5.5
Purchasing power of the 1971 consumer dollar	0.53	0.54	0.58		
All-items Consumer Price Index converted to 1961=100	250.7				

The Consumer Price Index, April 1979 (62-001, 40¢/\$4)

National Highlights

The All-items Consumer Price Index for Canada (1971=100) increased by 0.7% from a level of 186.6 in March to 187.9 in April. As a result, the 12-month rise between April 1978 and April 1979 stood at 9.8%, up from the 9.2% registered in the previous 12-month period. Higher food prices and increased housing and transportation charges were largely responsible for the latest over-all monthly rise in the CPI. Food prices advanced by 1.0% between March and April, down from the increases of 2.5% observed in each of the previous two months. The index for all items excluding food rose by 0.6%, down from the 0.8% registered in the previous month.

Higher prices for selected beef cuts and fresh fruit, up on average 2.0% and 4.1%, respectively, in early April were largely responsible for the 1.0% increase in the food-at-home index. Other notable contributors to this latest monthly rise included higher prices for selected cereal and bakery products, chocolate bars, other meat products and poultry. Fresh vegetable prices, on average, declined as did prices for selected pork cuts and coffee. The 1.0% increase in the food-at-home index in April brought this index to a level 17.8% above its April 1978 level. The food-away-from-home index rose by 0.9% in April, resulting in an increase of 12.3% over its level of April 1978.

Higher prices for new cars, as well as increased automobile operation and maintenance charges were contributing factors to the 0.6% increase in the index for all items excluding food. Other notable factors included increased shelter charges for both rented and owned accommodation, higher prices for household furnishings (reflecting in part the re-imposition of the retail sales tax in the province of Quebec), and higher postal rates. Increases were also registered for selected clothing items and, in several provinces, for tobacco and alcohol products. Exerting a dampening impact on the over-all monthly rise were declines in selected air fares and, in the province of British

Columbia, the reduction in the provincial retail sales tax. Between April 1978 and April 1979, the index for all items excluding food advanced by 7.5%, up from the 6.5% registered in the previous 12-month period. Part of this acceleration in the rate of growth was attributable to the impact of the varying provincial sales tax reductions which affected the April 1978 index level.

Viewed in terms of goods and services, the price level for goods, including food, advanced by 0.8% in the latest month while that for services increased by 0.4%. Between April 1978 and April 1979, the price level for goods advanced by 11.9% while that for services rose by 6.3%.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the All-items Consumer Price Index advanced by 0.8% between March and April: this comprised a 1.2% increase in the food index and a 0.6% increase in the index for all items excluding food.

City Highlights

Between March and April, consumer prices rose in all 15 cities for which CPIs are produced. Advances ranged from 0.3% in Vancouver to 1.0% in both St. John's and Winnipeg. Factors contributing to the differing rates of increases among cities were the general reduction in provincial sales tax in British Columbia; the re-imposition of the provincial sales tax on furniture in the province of Quebec; varying rates of price movement for food and new cars; and an increase in the price of alcoholic beverages in Manitoba.

St. John's

All items: March to April 1979, up 1.0%; April 1978 to April 1979, up 9.9%.

Main contributors: higher prices for meat, fresh produce and restaurant meals. Increased prices for new cars and gasoline.

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Consumer Price Indexes for Canada, Major Components, Sub-groups and Special Aggregates, not Seasonally Adjusted — Concluded

(1971=100)

Major components, sub-groups and special aggregates	Indexes	Percentage Change	
		April 1979 from	
	Apr. 1979	Mar. 1979	Apr. 1978
Reclassified by goods and services			
Goods and services			
Goods	187.9	0.7	9.8
Durable goods	191.8	0.8	11.9
Semi-durable goods	150.1	1.1	10.5
Non-durable goods	152.9	0.7	9.0
Services	213.3	0.8	12.9
	182.8	0.4	6.3
Special aggregates			
All items excluding food	173.3	0.6	7.5
All items excluding energy	185.4	0.7	9.9
Energy	221.8	0.5	7.8
All items excluding food and energy	168.7	0.6	7.5

Month-to-Month Percentage Changes in the Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Index for Canada*

	All items		Food		All items excluding food	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**
1978						
January	0.4	..	0.8	..	0.2	..
February	0.7	..	0.7	..	0.6	..
March	1.1	..	1.4	..	1.1	..
April	0.2	..	1.7	..	-0.4	..
May	1.4	..	3.3	..	0.6	..
June	0.9	..	2.0	..	0.4	..
July	1.5	..	4.0	..	0.4	..
August	0.1	..	-1.4	..	0.7	..
September	-0.2	..	-2.4	..	0.7	..
October	1.0	0.8	1.2	1.5	1.0	0.6
November	0.8	0.7	0.3	0.7	0.9	0.7
December	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.2	0.4
1979						
January	0.8	0.7	1.9	2.0	0.5	0.3
February	0.9	1.0	2.5	2.5	0.5	0.6
March	1.2	1.3	2.5	2.6	0.8	0.9
April	0.7	0.8	1.0	1.2	0.6	0.6

* For some elaboration of methodology, see Appendix I(A) of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (Catalogue 62-010).

** Seasonally adjusted data are revised annually using updated seasonal adjustment factors. For more information, refer to Appendix II, Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (Catalogue 62-010).

For an explanation of the non-availability of data previous to October 1978, see Appendix II, Section B(2), Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (Catalogue 62-010).

Charlottetown/Summerside

All items: March to April 1979, up 0.5%; April 1978 to April 1979, up 8.9%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, fresh fruit and restaurant meals; pork prices declined. Prices up for women's wear and men's haircuts. Higher prices for new cars.

Halifax

All items: March to April 1979, up 0.8%; April 1978 to April 1979, up 8.8%.

Main contributors: prices up for cigarettes, poultry, chocolate bars and restaurant meals, while pork prices declined. Higher prices for new cars and gasoline.

Saint John

All items: March to April 1979, up 0.7%; April 1978 to April 1979, up 9.2%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fresh vegetables, beef, chocolate bars, cigarettes and restaurant meals, while pork and chicken prices fell. Higher charges for shelter.

Quebec City

All items: March to April 1979, up 0.8%; April 1978 to April 1979, up 9.8%.

Main contributors: higher prices for furniture and increased shelter charges. Clothing, gasoline and alcoholic beverage prices advanced.

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Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Housing	Clothing (1971=100)	Transportation (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recreation reading and education	Tobacco and alcohol
St. John's								
April 1979 index	196.6	251.5	199.4	150.1	172.8	189.6	152.2	161.2
March 1979 index	194.9	245.9	198.9	148.5	170.5	188.8	151.8	160.9
% change from March 1979	1.0	2.3	0.3	1.1	1.3	0.4	0.3	0.2
% change from April 1978	9.9	18.7	7.6	5.6	5.4	12.3	9.8	4.5
Charlottetown/Summerside**								
April 1979 index	149.5	160.2	154.2	130.1	145.2	147.6	130.5	135.0
March 1979 index	148.7	158.9	153.8	128.8	144.4	146.1	130.2	135.0
% change from March 1979	0.5	0.8	0.3	1.0	0.6	1.0	0.2	0.0
% change from April 1978	8.9	14.1	7.7	7.3	6.5	7.6	6.2	3.7
Halifax								
April 1979 index	183.9	225.9	183.4	148.1	173.7	164.7	148.6	156.4
March 1979 index	182.5	223.9	182.8	146.6	172.0	164.5	148.2	150.7
% change from March 1979	0.8	0.9	0.3	1.0	1.0	0.1	0.3	3.8
% change from April 1978	8.8	14.7	6.3	7.3	7.2	7.1	7.0	9.2
Saint John								
April 1979 index	188.2	232.8	186.5	145.8	173.3	177.5	163.0	157.3
March 1979 index	186.8	229.8	185.9	144.9	173.2	175.8	162.8	152.5
% change from March 1979	0.7	1.3	0.3	0.6	0.1	1.0	0.1	3.1
% change from April 1978	9.2	15.2	6.9	6.3	7.2	7.6	7.9	6.7

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Montreal

All items: March to April 1979, up 0.9%; April 1978 to April 1979, up 9.8%.

Main contributors: higher furniture prices. Prices up for beef, fresh fruit and chocolate bars. Increased prices for new cars and clothing.

Ottawa

All items: March to April 1979, up 0.6%; April 1978 to April 1979, up 9.1%.

Main contributors: higher prices for new cars and gasoline. Increased prices for restaurant meals, beef and fresh fruit; soft drink prices declined. Clothing prices up.

Toronto

All items: March to April 1979, up 0.4%; April 1978 to April 1979, up 9.5%.

Main contributors: higher prices for new cars and gasoline. Prices up for fresh fruit and beef, while pork and fresh vegetable prices fell. Increased clothing prices.

Thunder Bay

All items: March to April 1979, up 0.9%; April 1978 to April 1979, up 8.9%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fresh produce, bread, chicken and restaurant meals, while pork prices declined. Increased prices for new cars, gasoline and clothing.

Winnipeg

All items: March to April 1979, up 1.0%; April 1978 to April 1979, up 9.8%.

Main contributors: higher prices for gasoline and new cars. Increased prices for restaurant meals and beer, while fresh produce and pork prices fell. Increased telephone rates.

Regina

All items: March to April 1979, up 0.5%; April 1978 to April 1979, up 7.8%.

Main contributors: higher new car prices, while gasoline prices fell. Higher prices for bread, beer and restaurant meals, while fresh produce and pork prices declined.

Saskatoon

All items: March to April 1979, up 0.6%; April 1978 to April 1979, up 8.1%.

Main contributors: higher prices for bread, restaurant meals and alcoholic beverages, while those for pork and fresh vegetables declined. Increased shelter, automobile operation and telephone charges.

Edmonton

All items: March to April 1979, up 0.7%; April 1978 to April 1979, up 9.3%.

Main contributors: higher prices for chicken, cereal and bakery products, restaurant meals and pork. Increased shelter charges. Prices up for men's wear and new cars.

Calgary

All items: March to April 1979, up 0.8%; April 1978 to April 1979, up 8.7%.

Main contributors: higher shelter charges and clothing prices. Higher prices for restaurant meals and beef cuts, while prices for fresh vegetables and pork declined.

Vancouver

All items: March to April 1979, up 0.3%; April 1978 to April 1979, up 7.9%.

Main contributors: higher prices for restaurant meals and bakery products; beef and fresh vegetable prices declined. Increased shelter charges and gasoline prices, while utility rates declined.

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada (continued)

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation reading and education	Tobacco and alcohol
Québec								
April 1979 index	184.9	229.9	182.2	141.7	173.3	176.4	154.1	165.8
March 1979 index	183.5	227.7	180.8	140.0	172.1	176.1	153.8	164.3
% change from March 1979	0.8	1.0	0.8	1.2	0.7	0.2	0.2	0.9
% change from April 1978	9.8	14.5	9.1	7.3	7.0	9.8	6.9	8.3
Montréal								
April 1979 index	185.9	234.0	174.2	156.1	174.4	178.1	157.9	169.0
March 1979 index	184.2	230.7	172.5	154.9	172.7	177.4	157.5	168.4
% change from March 1979	0.9	1.4	1.0	0.8	1.0	0.4	0.3	0.4
% change from April 1978	9.8	16.8	8.2	7.3	6.4	9.5	4.9	8.8
Ottawa								
April 1979 index	185.6	222.0	181.3	171.7	175.3	171.2	149.4	166.2
March 1979 index	184.4	220.2	180.6	170.9	172.3	171.0	148.7	165.4
% change from March 1979	0.6	0.8	0.4	0.5	1.7	0.1	0.5	0.5
% change from April 1978	9.1	14.4	6.9	10.1	10.6	7.1	6.4	3.2
Toronto								
April 1979 index	186.0	226.1	182.0	158.6	172.7	187.5	153.3	159.5
March 1979 index	185.2	225.2	181.6	157.8	171.1	186.8	152.8	159.2
% change from March 1979	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.9	0.4	0.3	0.2
% change from April 1978	9.5	15.1	7.2	11.5	9.4	10.7	6.0	2.4
Thunder Bay								
April 1979 index	187.2	228.1	186.4	152.2	178.9	183.1	152.3	159.2
March 1979 index	185.6	225.1	185.3	151.0	176.6	182.3	151.6	158.3
% change from March 1979	0.9	1.3	0.6	0.8	1.3	0.4	0.5	0.6
% change from April 1978	8.9	13.8	7.9	10.8	7.4	9.0	5.6	3.0
Winnipeg								
April 1979 index	189.1	228.9	196.6	161.7	166.9	178.4	152.4	160.9
March 1979 index	187.3	226.4	195.3	161.1	163.4	178.2	152.0	157.9
% change from March 1979	1.0	1.1	0.7	0.4	2.1	0.1	0.3	1.9
% change from April 1978	9.8	15.3	8.3	12.7	6.3	8.6	6.6	6.6
Regina								
April 1979 index	186.7	222.2	186.2	157.8	173.1	176.6	170.9	167.9
March 1979 index	185.7	220.4	185.1	156.5	173.4	176.2	170.4	165.7
% change from March 1979	0.5	0.8	0.6	0.8	-0.2	0.2	0.3	1.3
% change from April 1978	7.8	14.2	5.6	8.9	6.1	8.8	5.2	4.4
Saskatoon								
April 1979 index	182.7	221.1	181.0	160.0	166.8	166.1	167.4	166.6
March 1979 index	181.6	218.2	180.0	158.7	166.1	167.6	167.1	164.7
% change from March 1979	0.6	1.3	0.6	0.8	0.4	-0.9	0.2	1.2
% change from April 1978	8.1	13.5	6.5	9.2	6.5	7.9	5.7	4.3
Edmonton								
April 1979 index	189.8	223.9	201.2	164.7	174.4	165.6	158.4	146.7
March 1979 index	188.5	220.8	200.2	163.8	173.2	165.0	158.0	146.4
% change from March 1979	0.7	1.4	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.2
% change from April 1978	9.3	15.0	8.3	8.9	7.5	6.6	6.7	3.1
Calgary								
April 1979 index	185.7	220.0	192.1	165.8	168.5	174.6	156.7	150.1
March 1979 index	184.3	217.5	190.7	162.8	168.2	174.3	156.4	149.8
% change from March 1979	0.8	1.1	0.7	1.8	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
% change from April 1978	8.7	14.8	8.0	9.7	5.2	8.1	4.7	4.3
Vancouver								
April 1979 index	188.0	226.9	186.7	158.0	177.2	176.1	148.4	164.1
March 1979 index	187.5	225.6	186.1	158.4	176.7	175.4	148.7	163.7
% change from March 1979	0.3	0.6	0.3	-0.3	0.3	0.4	-0.2	0.2
% change from April 1978	7.9	12.8	5.4	7.8	8.4	8.6	4.7	3.8

* For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Section C, of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (62-010, \$1.40 \$5.60).

** 1974=100.

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, May 1, 1979 —
 Advance Information

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first day of May amounted to 113.4 million pounds compared with 116.1 million last month and 104.9

million a year earlier.

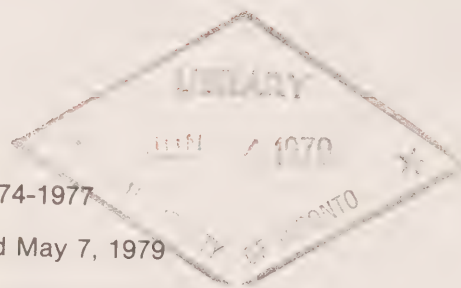
For further information, order the May issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, 30¢ \$3) or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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- 61-001 (30¢/\$3) **Cheques Cashed, March 1979**

Juvenile Delinquency Statistics, 1974-77

The number of juveniles charged under the Juvenile Delinquents Act and dealt with by juvenile courts in 1977 declined slightly from 1976. The downturn follows considerable annual increases in recent years.

This picture emerges in a series of reports published simultaneously today by Statistics Canada for each year from 1974 to 1977. The figures released cover seven reporting provinces and the Yukon. Complete figures for Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, British Columbia and the Northwest Territories were not available.

In 1977, 44,181 juveniles were brought before the courts, a 7.7% decrease from the preceding year. These juveniles faced a total of 91,795 charges. The rate of juveniles referred to court as a proportion of the declining juvenile population fell by 5.6%.

The total number of charges reported by juvenile courts for 1977, with those for Nova Scotia included, was 93,812, a decline of 0.2% from the previous year. The number of charges resulting in a finding of delinquency amounted to 69,282 in 1977, compared with 68,555 in 1976. About 80% of the charges involved offences under the Criminal Code of Canada; another 4.6% concerned violations of other federal statutes; some 15% were made under provincial statutes, nearly all of them being for traffic and liquor offences; and the remainder were charges under municipal bylaws or were not specified.

- Violent crimes, including sexual offences, homicide, attempted murder, assaults and robbery increased slightly to 3,437 in 1977 from 3,337 in 1976.
- Drug-related charges numbered 2,287, a decline of 5.3% from 1976.
- Although the 23,697 charges of theft in 1977 were the most numerous of any kind, they showed one of the largest drops for any offence category, almost 13%.
- On the other hand, charges of some other offences increased significantly: possession by 36.6%, and fraud and forgery by 23.6%.
- Charges of breaking and entering, mischief and joyriding numbered, respectively, 23,622, 6,676 and 1,609, all about the same as in 1976.

Analysis of the 1977 figures shows that 80.5% of the individuals appearing in juvenile courts were males and 78.4% were between 14 and 17 years of age. A total of 78.3% of the juveniles charged in 1977 were adjudged delinquent.

Juvenile courts dealt with the charges in the following manner: 1.5% were referred to adult criminal courts; slightly less than 75% resulted in a finding of delinquency; and the remaining almost 25% did not lead to convictions.

Of those charges resulting in a finding of delinquency, 7.2% were dealt with by committing the juvenile to an institution, 34.7% by a term of probation and 25.1% by a fine or restitution order. A substantial proportion of the remainder were suspended or adjourned without further action.

During the period 1974 to 1977, the Juvenile Delinquents Act operated throughout Canada except in Newfoundland, where juvenile offenders were dealt with under the Welfare of Children Act. For the

purposes of the Act the minimum age of a juvenile was seven all across Canada. The upper limit was under 16 years of age in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Ontario, Saskatchewan, Yukon and the Northwest Territories; under 17 in Newfoundland and British Columbia; under 18 in Quebec and Manitoba; under 18 for females and under 16 for males in Alberta.

Juvenile Delinquency Data Available

Statistics on juvenile delinquency for the years 1974-1977 are now available on CANSIM, Statistics Canada's computerized data base.

Printed reports containing principal findings are also available free on request for each of the four years.

For a copy of any of these reports or for information, contact the project manager, Juvenile Court Survey (613-995-0855), Justice Statistics Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Electricity Selling Price Indexes, September-December 1978 — Advance Information

Electricity selling price indexes are now available for the period September 1978-December 1978 inclusive. With the release of data for the most current four months, indexes for the previous four-month span have been revised and finalized.

For further information, order the March issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Information Unit, Industrial Prices (613-995-5738), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended May 19, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended May 19 was 362,128 short tons (328 517 t), an increase of 4.1% from the preceding week's total of 347,947 short tons (315 652 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 305,732 short tons (277 355 t).

The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 197.6 in the current week, 189.9 a week earlier and 166.9 a year earlier.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending May 7, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,883,714	2,392,555	5,276,269
Short tons, 1978	1,815,566	2,242,268	4,057,834
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 616 061	2 170 489	4 786 550
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 647 054	2 034 151	3 681 205
% change	58.8	6.7	30.0
Cars, 1979	44,315	34,885	79,200
Cars, 1978	33,678	34,031	67,709
% change	31.6	2.5	17.0
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	167,917	57,235	225,152
Short tons, 1978	157,774	59,361	217,135
Metric tonnes, 1979	152 332	51 923	204 255
Metric tonnes, 1978	143 130	53 851	196 981
% change	6.4	-3.6	3.7
Cars, 1979	4,840	2,305	7,145
Cars, 1978	4,870	2,441	7,311
% change	-0.6	-5.6	-2.3
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	43,780,474	38,469,327	82,249,801
Short tons, 1978	38,860,743	38,185,952	77,046,695
Metric tonnes, 1979	39 716 978	34 898 786	74 615 764
Metric tonnes, 1978	35 253 873	34 641 713	69 895 586
% change	12.7	0.7	6.8
Cars, 1979	706,484	564,014	1,270,498
Cars, 1978	663,902	574,225	1,238,127
% change	6.4	-1.8	2.6
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,927,235	1,125,691	4,052,926
Short tons, 1978	2,996,163	1,076,121	4,072,284
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 655 543	1 021 210	3 676 753
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 718 073	976 241	3 694 314
% change	-2.3	4.6	-0.5
Cars, 1979	88,769	43,085	131,854
Cars, 1978	90,068	43,435	133,503
% change	-1.4	-0.8	-1.2

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended May 7, 1979 —
 Published Only in the *Daily*

The volume of revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada in the above-noted week totalled 4.8 million t (5.3 million short tons), up 30.0% over the corresponding week in 1978.

Rail freight originating in the East showed an increase of 58.8% (due in part to 1978 traffic losses in Newfoundland and Quebec resulting from labour problems in the iron mining industry); Western movements were up 6.7%. Container-trailer (piggyback) loadings (included above) rose 6.4% in the East but declined 3.6% in the West for an over-all gain of 3.7%.

In the January 1 to May 7, 1979 period, railways loaded 74.6 million t (82.2 million short tons), 6.8% above the year-earlier level. The number of cars loaded rose 2.6% to 1,270,498, while piggyback movements were down 0.5%.

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- 34-212 (70¢) **Foundation Garment Industry, 1977**
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- 64-203 (\$1.40) **Building Permits, Annual Summary, 1978**
- Service Bulletin:**
- 32-023 (\$1.40 per year) **Fruit and Vegetable Preservation — Vol. 7, No. 19, Pack of Processed Blueberries, 1978**

Selected Principal Statistics for Ready-mix Concrete Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3550		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	348	335	-4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	7,251	6,732	-7
Man-hours paid	000's	15,490	14,468	-7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	102,567	108,838	6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	18,365	19,414	6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	344,736	372,898	8
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	633,490	672,023	6
Value added	\$000	271,449	281,667	4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	9,128	8,521	-7
Total salaries and wages	\$000	133,282	137,646	3
Total value added	\$000	282,615	292,797	4

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Ready-mix Concrete Manufacturers, 1977* (44-211, 70¢).

Sales of Cement, April 1979 — Advance Information

Advance information on sales of cement as reported by Canadian producers for the month of April 1979 is now available.

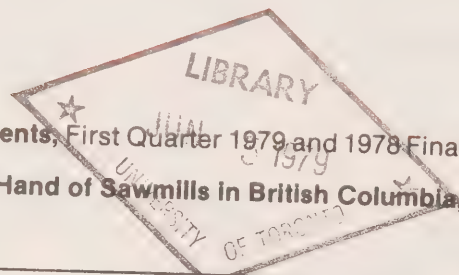
For further information, contact Gordon McWade (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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University Teachers' Salaries

The final edition of *Salaries of Full-time Teaching Staff at Canadian Universities and Colleges, 1977-78* is available free of charge upon request.

For further information, contact N.D. Uppal (613-995-1105/6), Post-secondary Education Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Exports and Imports by Commodities

Commodity-country export and import trade statistics for March 1979 are now available in advance of the regular publications. For information, contact G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

32-024 (15¢/\$1.50) **Production and Inventories of Process Cheese and Instant Skim Milk Powder**, April 1979

Service Bulletins:

13-003 (\$1.40 per year) **Science Statistics**, Vol. 3, No. 5, The Provincial Research Organizations, 1977

32-023 (\$1.40 per year) **Fruit and Vegetable Preservation**, Vol. 7: No. 10, Pack of Canned Pears, 1978; No. 11, Pack of Processed Peaches, 1978; No. 16, Pack of Processed Lima Beans, 1978

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51-004 (\$4.20 per year) **Aviation Statistics Centre**, Vol. 11, No. 5, Canadian Air Transport Industry, Summary Statistics

54-003 (\$1.40 per year) **Water Transport**, Vol. 9, No. 4, Cargo Loaded and Unloaded in Coastwise Shipping by Vessels of Foreign Registries, January-March 1979 and 1978

64-003 (\$1.40 per year) **Construction Statistics**, Vol. 2, No. 4, Construction Duration of Apartments by Size of Structure, 1978

Receipts and Payments on International Travel

1978-1979*

	I	II	1978 III	IV	Year	1979p I
United States						
Receipts	154	406	832	258	1,650	163
Payments	760	657	697	439	2,553	713
Balance	-606	-251	135	-181	-903	-550
All Other Countries						
Receipts	64	213	334	117	728	78
Payments	381	380	496	274	1,531	383
Balance	-317	-167	-162	-157	-803	-305
Total All Countries						
Receipts	218	619	1,166	375	2,378	241
Payments	1,141	1,037	1,193	713	4,084	1,096
Balance	-923	-418	-27	-338	-1,706	-855

* Includes international fare payments.

p Preliminary estimates.

For further information, order the January-March issue of *Travel Between Canada and Other Countries* (66-001, \$1.75/\$7), or contact Mr. Mike Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

International Travel Receipts and Payments, First Quarter 1979 and 1978 Final — Advance Information Preliminary estimates for the first quarter of 1979 show that Canada earned \$241 million from international travel while Canadians' payments abroad were estimated at \$1,096 million. The deficit of \$855 million on international travel was down from the \$923 million deficit recorded in the January-March 1978 period. (In year-over-year comparisons for the first quarter, it should be noted that Easter occurred in March in 1978 but in April in 1979.)

Canada received \$163 million from the 4.1 million United States visitors in the first quarter of 1979, while expenditures of \$713 million were attributed to the 6.9 million Canadians visiting the U.S. This resulted in an estimated deficit of \$550 million with the U.S. Receipts from countries other than the U.S. reached \$78 million when 145,500 visitors entered Canada, while the 537,200 Canadians travelling in these countries contributed to payments of \$383 million, resulting in an estimated deficit of \$305 million with countries other than the U.S.

Final estimates for 1978 indicate that Canada earned \$2,378 million from international travel, up 17.4% from 1977, while Canadians' payments abroad totalled \$4,084 million, 11.4% above 1977. This resulted in a deficit of \$1,706 million on international travel compared with the 1977 deficit of \$1,641 million.

Receipts from the U.S. reached \$1,650 million, up 8.2% over 1977, while those from other countries totalled \$728 million, 45.6% higher than 1977 and 24.7% above the Olympic year of 1976. Payments to the U.S. amounted to \$2,553 million, up 12.0% from the

previous year, while those to other countries equalled \$1,531 million, an increase of 10.5% over 1977.

It should be noted that all the above figures include international fare payments.

For further information, order the January-March issue of *Travel Between Canada and Other Countries* (66-001, \$1.75/\$7), or contact M. W. Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Financial Flows and Multinational Enterprises Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, March 1979 — Advance Information

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 1,181.6 million feet board measure (2 788.3 m³) of lumber and ties in March 1979 compared to 1,127.7 million feet board measure (2 661.1 m³) a year earlier.

January to March production increased to 3,247.5 million feet board measure (7 663.2 m³) in 1979 from 3,175.7 million feet board measure (7 493.8 m³) in 1978.

For further information, order the March issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

- 11-006 (N/C) New Surveys, Notes on Statistical Survey Activity Within the Federal Government, Volume 4, Number 3, Third Quarter 1978**
 - 23-005 (\$1.40 a year) Report on Livestock Surveys, Pigs, April 1, 1979**
 - 32-022 (15¢/\$1.50) Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products, April 1979**
 - 35-001 (30¢/\$3) Construction Type Plywood, March 1979**
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 - 53-224 (\$1.40) For-hire Trucking Survey, 1976**
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63-008 (15¢/\$1.50) Wholesale Trade, March 1979**Service Bulletin:**

32-023 (\$1.40 a year) Fruit and Vegetable Preservation, Vol. 7, No. 18, Pack of Processed Brussels Sprouts, 1978

Retail Trade, All Stores, by Province and Selected Metropolitan Areas

March 1979 — Advance Information

	Unadjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
	Sales All Stores		Mar. 79/ Mar. 78	Sales All Stores		Mar. 79/ Feb. 79
	Mar. 1979p	Feb. 1979r		Mar. 1979p	Feb. 1979r	
	(\$ millions)		%	(\$ millions)		%
Newfoundland	111,185	90,086	15.8	117,713	113,173	4.0
Prince Edward Island	25,927	21,820	10.1	29,115	28,885	0.8
Nova Scotia	202,365	164,350	19.7	211,263	206,030	2.5
New Brunswick	154,896	123,973	19.4	164,921	157,226	4.9
Quebec	1,636,844	1,299,941	22.2	1,674,029	1,623,506	3.1
Ontario	2,158,359	1,801,873	12.5	2,290,259	2,188,864	4.6
Manitoba	224,722	192,818	7.0	235,132	247,139	-4.9
Saskatchewan	248,388	203,031	10.9	261,412	251,525	3.9
Alberta	618,803	511,195	19.1	638,140	624,246	2.2
British Columbia	711,477	606,845	10.6	732,576	721,833	1.5
Yukon and Northwest Territories	14,888	12,292	0.6	15,424	15,277	1.0
Canada	6,107,854	5,028,225	15.5	6,384,561	6,181,737	3.3
Montreal	770,223	608,919	20.3	—	—	—
Toronto	791,638	664,633	13.8	—	—	—
Winnipeg	140,768	119,897	1.0	—	—	—
Vancouver	360,530	314,173	11.0	—	—	—

p Preliminary figures

r Revised figures

Retail Trade, March 1979 — Advance Information

Seasonally-adjusted retail sales for March reached \$6,384.6 million, an increase of 3.3% from \$6,181.7 million in February. The largest increases were registered by household furniture stores (+25.1%), furniture, TV, radio and appliance stores (+25.1%) and family shoe stores (+16.8%). The largest decreases were recorded for all other food stores (-5.0%), jewellery stores (-4.9%), and combination stores (-4.9%). All provinces except Manitoba (-4.9%) showed increased sales over February ranging from 4.9% for New Brunswick to 0.8% for Prince Edward Island.

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment at \$6,107.9 million was up 15.5% over March 1978. Sales were higher in all trade groups except florists (-14.2%). The largest increases were posted by household furniture stores (+46.7%), specialty shoe stores (+37.3%) and furniture, TV, radio and appliance stores (+35.1%). All provinces reported increased sales over March 1978, ranging from 22.2% for Quebec to 7.0% for Manitoba. Montreal sales rose 20.3%; Toronto 13.8%; Winnipeg 1.0%; and Vancouver 11.0%.

Revised total retail trade, unadjusted for seasonal influences, for February 1979 was \$5,028.2 million, an increase of 12.6% from February 1978.

For further information, order the March issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and

Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4. This issue of the publication will contain revised estimates of retail trade, unadjusted for seasonal influences, for 1978, and revised seasonally-adjusted estimates of retail trade for 1977 and 1978.

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Merchandising Businesses Survey: Wholesale Merchants, 1977 — Advance Information

The total volume of trade reported by 21,424 establishments for the 1977 Merchandising Businesses Survey, Wholesale Merchants was \$68,244,566,000.

This and other data will be contained in *Merchandising Businesses Survey, 1977, Wholesale Merchants* (63-601, \$1.05), and advance details can be obtained from the Wholesale Trade Section (613-996-9307), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Retail Trade, Canada, by Kind of Business

March 1979 — Advance Information

Kind of Business	Unadjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
	Sales All Stores		Mar. 79/ Mar. 78	Sales All Stores		Mar. 79/ Feb. 79
	Mar. 1979p	Feb. 1979r		Mar. 1979p	Feb. 1979r	
	(\$ millions)		%	(\$ millions)		%
Combination stores (groceries and meat)	1,221,020	1,095,729	11.3	1,150,553	1,209,948	-4.9
Grocery, confectionery and sundries stores	286,124	260,687	14.1	299,157	301,198	-0.7
All other food stores	104,517	94,447	5.9	103,056	108,435	-5.0
Department stores	609,741	448,714	13.6	689,973	652,770	5.7
General merchandise stores	137,392	116,319	7.8	154,777	147,838	4.7
General stores	109,315	92,251	10.5	119,940	119,126	0.7
Variety stores	69,602	52,780	4.3	80,229	75,975	5.6
Motor vehicle dealers	1,355,820	1,048,700	21.6	1,341,846	1,211,670	10.7
Used car dealers	26,448	19,546	14.4	23,677	23,465	0.9
Service stations	392,587	371,269	13.1	421,523	439,216	-4.0
Garages	90,260	74,573	30.5	96,647	84,964	13.8
Automotive parts and accessories stores	104,312	77,895	33.3	135,554	128,222	5.7
Men's clothing stores	61,926	47,990	14.7	74,156	70,740	4.8
Women's clothing stores	99,189	73,178	14.7	109,809	106,456	3.2
Family clothing stores	73,910	54,312	18.0	85,284	81,721	4.4
Specialty shoe stores	7,858	5,663	37.3	9,258	8,319	11.3
Family shoe stores	46,198	28,493	23.5	55,941	47,895	16.8
Hardware stores	48,486	37,944	12.1	63,658	58,547	8.7
Household furniture stores	112,257	79,643	46.7	120,701	96,478	25.1
Household appliance stores	22,689	17,173	14.7	24,229	21,254	14.0
Furniture, TV, radio and appliance stores	47,863	32,959	35.1	53,893	43,095	25.1
Pharmacies, patent medicine and cosmetics stores	192,125	172,499	14.8	192,323	187,336	2.7
Book and stationery stores	26,895	25,213	10.1	28,351	28,854	-1.7
Florists	20,084	21,941	-14.2	22,458	22,718	-1.1
Jewellery stores	38,697	36,512	7.1	53,302	56,026	-4.9
Sporting goods and accessories stores	63,759	47,864	20.3	77,721	66,737	16.5
Personal accessories stores	75,369	65,574	0.9	82,325	81,855	0.6
All other stores	663,413	528,356	14.5	721,888	693,381	4.1
Total, all stores	6,107,854	5,028,225	15.5	6,384,561	6,181,737	3.3

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r Revised figures

Selected Principal Statistics for Iron and Steel Mills

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 291		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	46	48	4.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	40,573	41,295	1.8
Man-hours paid	000's	84,213	84,747	0.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	611,758	677,595	10.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	174,469	229,487	31.5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	1,888,374	1,992,722	5.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	3,460,059	3,843,555	11.1
Value added	\$000	1,468,650	1,683,276	14.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	51,978	52,709	1.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	832,503	917,892	10.3
Total value added	\$000	1,489,808	1,677,648	12.6

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Iron and Steel Mills, 1977* (41-203, 70¢).

Median Salaries of 1976 University and College Graduates* Who Were Working Full-time During the Week of May 28 to June 3, 1978, by Province of Interview and Qualification Level

Province of interview	Qualification Level					
	College Diploma			University Degree		
	1 year	2 years	3-4 years	Bachelors	Masters	Doctorates
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Newfoundland	...	11,550	14,214	15,523	22,692	...
Prince Edward Island	9,375	11,833	11,438	12,818	18,000	...
Nova Scotia	10,500	11,764	...	13,140	18,750	17,875
New Brunswick	10,583	11,401	...	14,734	19,444	17,800
Québec	6,944	11,325	13,350	14,758	21,143	23,800
Ontario	10,153	11,484	13,069	14,718	20,157	21,567
Manitoba	11,769	12,630	11,500	14,642	19,758	21,250
Saskatchewan	...	13,019	14,100	15,507	22,667	19,800
Alberta	9,889	13,585	13,036	15,229	21,141	22,571
British Columbia	11,700	14,287	13,788	15,206	20,230	21,273
Yukon and Northwest Territories	...	14,417	...	18,095
Canada* Median Salaries	10,211	12,261	13,129	14,813	20,420	21,565

* Data on graduates of Quebec universities and colleges are not included in the survey.

... Figures not available.

Employment of 1976 University and College Graduates — Advance Information

Results of a survey of 1976 graduates of post-secondary education programs show that two years after graduation approximately 83.5% of all graduates had secured full-time employment. Although there were no significant differences in full-time employment rates between university and college graduates, there were wide variations within subject disciplines. The proportion of female graduates looking for full-time employment was higher in almost every category.

The survey was designed to study the employment and job search experiences of recent graduates and to measure job satisfaction and the relevance of education to current employment. A number of socio-economic characteristics of graduates were obtained for analytical purposes. Graduates of Quebec's post-secondary institutions were not included in the national survey since a basically similar study was being implemented by that province at the same time.

Median salaries of graduates by province where interviewed are shown in the accompanying table. For further information on the survey, contact Doug Lynd or John North (613-995-9797), Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Oilseeds, April 1979 — Advance Information

Domestic crushings of vegetable oilseeds for April, with oil produced and meal produced (all figures in metric tonnes);

- Soybeans: 62 805 (11 129; 48 699);
- Rapeseed: 63 070 (25 870; 36 795).

For further information, order the April issue of *Grains and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, 40¢/\$4), or contact J.M. Huard (613-995-4877), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, February 1979 — Advance Information

Crude petroleum production for the month of February averaged 266 200 cubic metres daily (1,675,000 barrels/day), up 17.5% from 226 600 cubic metres/day (1,425,800 barrels/day) in February 1978.

Net new production of natural gas for the latest period averaged 331 000 thousand cubic metres/day (11,685,800 thousand cubic feet/day), up 8.4% from 305 400 thousand cubic metres/day (10,779,500 thousand cubic feet/day) a year earlier.

For further information, order the February issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact George Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, May 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Stocks of fruits, frozen and in preservatives, in storages and factories on May 1 totalled 34.6 million pounds compared with 30.7 million last year.

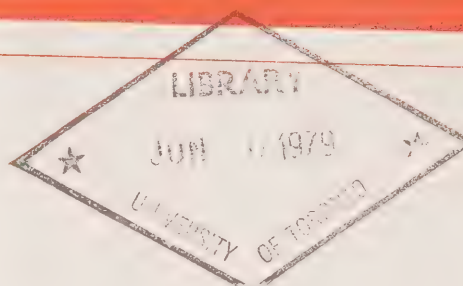
Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 90.7 million pounds (78.2 million in 1978).

For further information, order the May issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Price Indexes Now Available

First quarter 1979 and fourth quarter 1978 revised figures for the chemical and mineral process plant indexes and the chemical and petrochemical plant price indexes are now available.

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mrs. Jean John (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

- 22-003 (40¢/\$3) **Fruit and Vegetable Production, May 1979**
 - 34-202 (70¢) **Canvas Products and Cotton and Jute Bags Industries, 1977**
 - 41-227 (70¢) **Metal Stamping, Pressing and Coating Industry, 1977**
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42-207 (70¢) Machine Shops, 1977**44-211 (70¢) Ready-mix Concrete Manufacturers, 1977****47-209 (70¢) Signs and Displays Industry, 1977****63-007 (30¢/\$3) New Motor Vehicle Sales, March 1979****Real Domestic Product, March 1979 — Advance Information**

The seasonally adjusted index of real domestic product (1971=100) increased 0.5% to 137.5 in March from 136.8 in February. The index of industrial production advanced 0.3% in March. Goods-producing industries were up 0.2%, while service-producing industries increased 0.7%.

In goods-producing industries, output gains were confined to agriculture, manufacturing, mining, and construction. Forestry, fishing and trapping, and utilities declined during March. Most of the growth in agriculture resulted from an increase in crop receipts. Manufacturing output rose for the fifth consecutive month, with substantial increases posted by manufacturers of food and beverage products, tobacco products, rubber and plastics, paper and allied products, refined petroleum products, and transportation equipment. Sizeable declines were recorded in knitting mills, chemicals and chemical products, and primary metals (output in primary metals was affected by labour disputes). Mining output recorded a modest gain in March, mainly due to increases in metal mining and non-metal mining. Mineral fuels production declined slightly, due to a decrease in output of natural gas. A marginal increase was recorded in construction during March as a result of increased non-residential building activity; residential building decreased slightly from the February level.

The service-producing industries, transportation, storage and communications, trade, community, business and personal services, and public administration and defence services all recorded significant increases, while finance, insurance and real estate services were relatively unchanged from the previous month. In transportation, storage and communications, railway transport, which had been affected by adverse weather conditions in February, recovered with an increase of about 6.0%. Substantial growth was also reported in air and bus transport, grain elevators and communication systems. For the third consecutive month, total trade recorded substantial growth. The growth occurred in retail trade, with major increases for department stores, motor vehicle dealers, hardware stores, furniture, television, radio and appliance stores, and drug stores. The only major decline in retail trade in March occurred in food stores.

In community, business and personal services, increases were recorded in education and related services, services to business management, and accommodation and food services.

Real Domestic Product, 1st Quarter 1979

The seasonally-adjusted index of real domestic product increased 1.0% in the first quarter of 1979 to 136.8 from 135.4 in the fourth quarter of 1978. The index of industrial production was up 2.1% to 139.3 in the first quarter. Both goods-producing and service-producing industries increased 1.0%.

In goods-producing industries, increases were recorded in agriculture, mining, utilities and manufacturing. Forestry, fishing and trapping, and construction declined. The increase in agriculture reflected strength in output of grain, poultry and dairy products,

while livestock production declined. Mining output was up significantly for the second consecutive quarter; most of the strength originated in crude petroleum and natural gas, miscellaneous metal mines, and asbestos mines. Although production in metal mines increased sharply, the level of output remained below levels attained in the first and second quarters of 1978, mainly due to a prolonged labour dispute affecting production of nickel. Production in iron mines in the first quarter changed little from that of the previous quarter; however, output levels were approximately 18% higher than a year earlier, reflecting a continued recovery from strikes which occurred in the second and third quarters of 1978.

Utilities' output advanced significantly in the first quarter, with strength in both electric power and gas distribution systems.

In manufacturing, gains were widespread for both durables and non-durables. It was the ninth consecutive quarterly increase for manufacturing, although somewhat smaller than that of the three previous quarters. Pulp and paper and chemicals contributed significantly to the increase in non-durables manufacturing. In durable goods manufacturing, important gains were recorded by transportation equipment industries and machinery industries. However, wood industries' output decreased as a result of the weakness in residential construction output in Canada during the past three quarters.

Construction output decreased for the third consecutive quarter and all major components contributed to the decrease.

For the service industries, trade, transportation, storage and communications and community, business and personal services all increased. Within trade, retail and wholesale contributed about equally to the growth following declines in the fourth quarter of 1978. In retail trade, motor vehicle dealers, furniture stores and food stores contributed most of the increase, while declines were recorded by all the components of the general merchandise stores.

For transportation, storage and communications, most of the gains occurred in communications, due to continuing growth in telephone systems. Air transport and pipelines (due to larger exports of oil to the United States) registered increases, while railway transport and urban transit declined. For bus transport, a strike that started at the end of December 1978 in the province of Québec reduced output in the quarter. Within storage, a large increase in grain elevators brought back the output level of storage to its third quarter 1978 level. Services to business management and restaurants contributed most of the increase in output of community, business and personal services.

For further information, order the March issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)*, (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1978				1979 % Change
		Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	
Real Domestic Product	100.00	135.9	136.1	136.8	137.5	0.5
Agriculture	3.371	109.4	110.3	110.0	110.9	0.8
Forestry	.802	135.9	141.3	130.9	124.8	-4.7
Fishing and Trapping	.178	102.9	99.5	93.4	92.3	-1.2
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	106.8	107.3	110.7	112.0	1.2
Manufacturing industries	22.753	140.5	140.8	140.9	141.5	0.4
Construction industry	6.990	107.2	105.2	105.6	105.9	0.3
Transportation, storage and communication	9.050	146.5	146.2	145.4	148.4	2.1
Transportation	5.991	132.6	130.7	129.5	132.2	2.1
Air transport and services incidental to air transport						
Railway transport	.671	194.9	199.4	204.2	207.0	1.4
Bus transport, interurban and rural	1.815	127.6	123.5	115.9	122.5	5.7
Urban transit systems	.089	127.4	115.5	103.5	106.1	2.5
Pipeline transport	.250	122.5	114.8	112.9	112.9	—
Storage	.486	127.0	127.5	135.0	134.8	-0.1
Grain elevators	.258	113.9	118.8	116.2	132.7	14.2
Communication	.177	98.8	105.0	98.8	125.5	27.0
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.801	179.5	181.8	181.9	184.6	1.5
Trade	2.658	161.0	164.7	169.0	165.5	-2.1
Wholesale trade	11.561	139.8	141.1	143.2	144.7	1.0
Wholesale merchants	4.756	130.3	133.5	135.4	134.6	-0.6
Retail trade	3.498	131.0	135.3	137.6	137.1	-0.4
Food stores	6.805	146.5	146.4	148.7	151.8	2.1
General merchandise stores	1.299	116.8	113.0	119.0	117.1	-1.6
Department stores	1.413	154.5	147.3	145.3	152.5	5.0
Other general merchandise stores	.889	182.3	172.8	170.6	180.2	5.6
Motor vehicle dealers	.524	107.4	104.0	102.4	105.6	3.1
Clothing stores	.811	146.0	161.4	172.5	178.9	3.7
Hardware stores	.434	137.0	140.5	136.4	136.9	0.4
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores	.101	108.8	110.1	110.2	115.1	4.4
Drug stores	.216	149.9	155.6	156.7	163.0	4.0
Finance, insurance and real estate	.301	194.0	190.8	179.5	183.7	2.3
Community, business and personal service industries	11.853	152.9	152.4	153.2	153.0	-0.1
Education and related services	19.539	134.7	135.2	136.0	136.6	0.4
Health and welfare services	6.478	109.4	109.0	110.6	110.9	0.3
Amusement and recreation services	5.318	127.1	127.7	128.0	128.0	—
Services to business management	.536	170.4	173.1	175.2	178.9	2.1
Personal services	2.373	194.7	195.2	197.9	199.2	0.7
Accommodation and food services	1.021	119.7	120.0	120.3	119.9	-0.3
Public administration and defence	2.588	155.6	157.5	156.2	158.0	1.2
Special groupings:	7.425	124.3	124.4	124.3	125.0	0.6
Index of industrial production						
Real domestic product less agriculture	29.230	137.9	138.6	139.5	139.9	0.3
Goods-producing industries	96.629	136.8	137.0	137.7	138.4	0.5
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	40.572	130.1	130.4	130.9	131.1	0.2
Service-producing industries	37.201	132.0	132.2	132.7	132.9	0.2
Commercial industries	59.428	139.8	140.1	140.8	141.8	0.7
Commercial industries less agriculture	81.308	140.1	140.4	141.0	141.8	0.6
Non-commercial industries	77.937	141.4	141.7	142.4	143.1	0.5
Non-durable manufacturing industries	18.692	117.6	117.6	118.3	118.6	0.3
Durable manufacturing industries	11.324	138.0	139.5	139.6	140.6	0.7
	11.429	142.9	142.2	142.2	142.5	0.2

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	4th Qtr. 1978	1st Qtr. 1979	% Change
Real Domestic Product	100.00	135.4	136.8	1.0
Agriculture	3.371	108.9	110.4	1.4
Forestry	.802	143.6	132.3	-7.8
Fishing and Trapping	.178	103.3	95.1	-7.9
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	105.5	110.0	4.3
Manufacturing industries	22.753	139.1	141.1	1.4
Construction industry	6.990	108.8	105.6	-3.0
Transportation, storage and communication	9.050	144.5	146.7	1.5
Transportation	5.991	130.5	130.8	0.2
Air transport and services incidental to air transport	.671	191.7	203.5	6.2
Railway transport	1.815	124.2	120.6	-2.9
Bus transport, interurban and rural	.089	127.6	108.4	-15.1
Urban transit systems	.250	119.2	113.5	-4.7
Pipeline transport	.486	124.2	132.4	6.6
Storage	.258	110.0	122.6	11.4
Grain elevators	.177	93.3	109.8	17.7
Communication	2.801	177.5	182.8	2.9
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.658	159.3	166.4	4.5
Trade	11.561	139.7	143.0	2.4
Wholesale trade	4.756	131.3	134.5	2.4
Wholesale merchants	3.498	132.9	136.7	2.9
Retail trade	6.805	145.6	149.0	2.3
Food stores	1.299	114.0	116.4	2.1
General merchandise stores	1.413	153.5	148.4	-3.3
Department stores	.889	180.3	174.5	-3.2
Other general merchandise stores	.524	108.0	104.0	-3.7
Motor vehicle dealers	.811	149.5	170.9	14.3
Clothing stores	.434	134.8	137.9	2.3
Hardware stores	.101	113.4	111.8	-1.4
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores	.216	147.7	158.4	7.3
Drug stores	.301	186.2	184.7	-0.8
Finance, insurance and real estate	11.853	152.9	152.9	—
Community, business and personal service industries	19.539	134.6	135.9	1.0
Education and related services	6.478	110.6	110.2	-0.4
Health and welfare services	5.318	126.6	127.9	1.0
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Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.324	137.6	139.9	1.7
Durable manufacturing industries	11.429	140.6	142.3	1.2

Employment, Earnings and Hours, Advance Data

March 1979

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Employment Index Number									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Mar. 1979f	Feb. 1979p	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978r	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Mar. 1979f	Feb. 1979p	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978r
	1961=100									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	63.9	67.7	68.5	75.1	61.9	68.0	79.8	80.0	80.1	81.3
Mining, including milling	118.0	117.4	117.3	115.0	115.3	120.0	119.4	118.2	118.1	115.8
Manufacturing	128.9	127.9	127.3	127.3	124.8	123.2	130.7	131.3	130.5	129.9
Durable Goods	143.3	142.5	141.6	141.6	137.2	135.4	145.0	145.2	143.7	142.9
Non-durable Goods	117.3	116.0	115.7	115.7	114.7	113.3	119.6	119.6	119.6	119.6
Construction	83.7	81.0	82.2	88.5	89.2	87.0	95.2	94.2	95.3	97.5
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	131.2	130.7	130.8	131.5	127.5	127.4	134.4	134.4	134.7	134.5
Trade	174.4	174.4	176.0	181.7	170.3	169.4	177.2	178.5	176.9	175.0
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	203.1	202.9	202.5	201.5	197.0	196.4	203.8	204.4	203.9	202.6
Service	261.8	258.4	256.4	256.2	252.8	251.2	268.9	268.5	267.3	265.2
Industrial Composite	145.8	144.9	144.9	146.3	142.0	141.3	149.6	149.6	149.2	148.1
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	127.7	127.6	127.8	131.4	121.5	123.0	136.9	137.5	136.9	135.5
Newfoundland	121.4	122.1	120.7	124.7	111.5	117.2	132.4	133.5	134.0	128.9
Prince Edward Island	145.0	143.0	142.4	150.6	136.8	136.4	169.2	166.2	163.1	160.8
Nova Scotia	132.1	131.0	131.2	133.7	124.4	125.2	137.6	137.3	136.7	136.1
New Brunswick	125.0	125.8	127.1	131.0	123.2	122.8	135.4	136.9	136.6	136.3
Quebec	124.7	124.6	124.7	125.7	122.9	122.6	128.3	128.8	128.4	127.2
Ontario	151.0	150.3	150.3	151.6	147.5	146.8	154.3	154.2	153.8	153.1
Prairie Region	164.5	162.9	163.3	164.6	156.9	156.1	169.2	168.3	168.5	166.9
Manitoba	123.8	122.7	122.8	124.1	120.8	120.7	127.4	126.9	126.5	126.0
Saskatchewan	142.3	140.8	140.9	143.0	137.4	136.6	147.8	146.6	146.4	145.2
Alberta	207.2	205.2	205.9	206.9	194.7	193.3	212.6	211.5	212.8	209.7
British Columbia	177.0	172.4	171.7	172.5	172.3	168.6	177.9	177.0	176.6	174.1
Yukon	170.8	169.9	165.7	171.6	184.0	179.0	175.8	179.6	177.3	180.7
Northwest Territories	147.9	145.8	146.1	146.8	151.1	144.5	156.0	157.6	159.6	161.4
Canada	145.8	144.9	144.9	146.3	142.0	141.3	149.6	149.6	149.2	148.1

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Employment, Earnings and Hours (Seasonally Adjusted), March 1979 — Advance Information

The first estimates of the Canada industrial composite* index of employment (1961=100) for March 1979 remained unchanged from the February level. Mining (including milling), construction and service increased while the remaining industry divisions decreased with the exception of transportation, communication and other utilities which remained unchanged. All regions advanced with the exception of the Atlantic region and Quebec which declined.

Average weekly earnings increased by 1% at the national industrial composite level. All industry divisions and all regions contributed to the over-all increase.

Average hourly earnings rose in mining (including milling) and in construction but showed no change in manufacturing. Average weekly hours increased in all three industry divisions.

* Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious organizations, private households and public administra-

tion and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year. Notes on concepts and methods can be found in any issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours*.

Detailed information for January and February will be published in the March issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7), and is also available from R. Ouellette (613-995-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

(see tables on pages 6 and 7)

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations				Seasonally adjusted					
	Mar. 1979f	Feb. 1979p	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978r	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Mar. 1979f	Feb. 1979p	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978r
	dollars									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	359.49	356.12	363.30	272.44	343.90	342.28	338.09	335.55	353.54	324.87
Mining, including milling	412.92	410.20	406.81	291.78	369.83	373.01	408.63	406.18	402.26	390.61
Manufacturing	304.08	302.73	300.84	291.89	280.77	280.19	301.76	301.01	299.82	296.76
Durable Goods	323.35	321.77	321.24	312.28	300.47	299.54	322.45	320.04	320.25	319.93
Non-durable Goods	285.09	283.86	280.68	271.74	261.74	261.51	282.44	282.28	279.62	275.07
Construction	409.97	399.87	393.23	371.72	379.66	377.99	408.78	399.27	396.76	411.83
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	330.37	329.60	328.99	324.38	307.89	306.11	330.80	330.03	326.70	326.93
Trade	213.54	209.81	207.77	204.54	198.58	196.37	215.00	211.63	210.74	205.59
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	264.52	260.49	259.90	257.03	243.74	240.05	260.05	259.35	260.58	259.13
Service	189.46	186.95	186.63	185.12	178.13	174.98	190.14	187.53	185.41	185.99
Industrial Composite	280.26	277.78	276.15	269.01	260.27	258.85	280.26	277.56	276.68	274.75
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	249.55	247.65	246.29	236.79	227.13	228.06	246.15	246.05	243.63	242.12
Newfoundland	268.32	267.12	264.55	251.97	239.61	247.82	264.62	263.35	261.72	261.76
Prince Edward Island	207.84	206.83	206.18	199.52	195.86	191.34
Nova Scotia	239.27	236.56	235.68	226.57	220.12	219.08	238.72	236.13	234.32	231.38
New Brunswick	255.00	252.49	252.14	243.74	231.35	230.33	249.07	248.61	245.82	247.63
Quebec	278.64	276.12	273.02	266.59	256.24	255.65	279.14	275.16	274.59	271.70
Ontario	277.60	276.27	274.68	276.99	259.76	258.27	278.02	276.66	274.87	274.05
Prairie Region	277.75	274.28	273.90	266.68	256.89	254.64	277.33	273.51	274.28	272.40
Manitoba	251.47	248.97	249.92	244.45	234.90	233.13	251.85	250.70	251.40	248.12
Saskatchewan	265.00	261.69	260.09	257.28	243.83	240.41	265.40	262.77	262.11	259.30
Alberta	294.27	290.28	289.55	280.35	271.88	269.79	293.30	287.96	288.74	288.57
British Columbia	314.62	309.75	309.53	300.67	293.94	291.60	315.98	310.84	310.37	310.29
Yukon	382.36	365.38	373.30	373.43	360.49	347.46
Northwest Territories	339.96	332.52	327.66	316.58	296.25	294.35
Canada	280.26	277.78	276.15	269.01	260.27	258.85	280.26	277.56	276.68	274.75

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Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

April 1979 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	% Change				
	Apr. 1979	Mar. 1979	Apr. 1978	Apr. 79/ Mar. 79	Apr. 79/ Apr. 78
Canada, Total	206.7	206.2	187.6	0.2	10.2
Materials	203.3	202.6	180.8	0.4	12.4
Labour	212.7	212.6	199.6	—	6.6
Atlantic Provinces, Total	215.7	214.3	196.4	0.6	9.8
Materials	202.6	200.4	181.4	1.1	11.7
Labour	238.4	238.4	222.4	—	7.2
Quebec, Total	211.7	211.3	191.5	0.2	10.5
Materials	211.5	210.9	188.7	0.3	12.1
Labour	212.0	212.0	196.8	—	7.7
Ontario, Total	199.5	199.2	181.2	0.2	10.1
Materials	197.6	197.1	175.5	0.2	12.6
Labour	202.7	202.7	191.0	—	6.1
Prairie Provinces, Total	215.7	214.7	197.2	0.5	9.4
Materials	205.5	204.2	184.3	0.6	11.5
Labour	235.4	235.1	222.1	0.1	6.0
British Columbia, Total	208.2	208.0	187.4	0.1	11.1
Materials	207.2	206.8	181.5	0.1	14.2
Labour	210.1	210.1	197.8	—	6.2

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G.A. John (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Hours and Average Hourly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations						Seasonally adjusted			
	Mar. 1979f	Feb. 1979p	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978r	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Mar. 1979f	Feb. 1979p	Jan. 1979p	Dec. 1978r
	number									
Average Weekly Hours:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	41.4	41.3	41.6	40.0	40.6	41.1	41.3	40.8	41.1	40.1
Manufacturing	39.2	39.0	39.0	38.3	38.6	39.0	38.9	38.8	39.1	39.3
Durable Goods	40.2	39.8	39.8	39.2	39.6	39.8	39.9	39.6	39.8	40.4
Non-durable Goods	38.2	38.3	38.1	37.4	37.6	38.1	38.0	38.2	38.1	38.3
Construction	39.0	37.8	37.4	35.7	38.3	38.0	39.1	38.2	38.3	40.1
Building	37.8	36.5	36.3	35.3	36.8	36.9	37.5	36.5	36.7	38.4
Engineering	41.8	41.2	40.4	36.6	41.6	40.6	42.1	42.0	41.7	43.5
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	38.3	38.6	38.2	37.0	37.6	38.4	38.2	38.2	37.8	38.4
Quebec	39.5	39.4	39.1	38.4	38.9	39.3	39.1	39.3	39.0	39.5
Ontario	39.9	39.6	39.5	38.9	39.2	39.5	39.7	39.6	39.5	39.9
Prairie Region	37.7	37.1	37.5	37.1	37.7	37.5	37.5	37.0	37.4	37.6
British Columbia	36.5	36.6	37.0	36.3	36.0	36.5	36.4	36.3	36.5	36.9
	dollars									
Average Hourly Earnings:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	9.49	9.41	9.30	9.23	8.56	8.60	9.43	9.40	9.30	9.15
Manufacturing	7.19	7.18	7.15	7.04	6.72	6.66	7.17	7.17	7.16	7.08
Durable Goods	7.60	7.62	7.60	7.49	7.14	7.10	7.61	7.61	7.60	7.56
Non-durable Goods	6.73	6.69	6.64	6.55	6.26	6.19	6.69	6.70	6.64	6.57
Construction	10.89	10.87	10.78	10.50	10.19	10.23	10.80	10.72	10.61	10.69
Building	10.97	10.98	10.89	10.74	10.06	10.06	10.99	10.95	10.84	10.92
Engineering	10.71	10.63	10.49	9.94	10.43	10.56	10.44	10.27	10.32	10.24
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	6.68	6.67	6.65	6.46	6.17	6.09	6.55	6.53	6.51	6.40
Quebec	6.55	6.55	6.51	6.41	6.09	6.05	6.56	6.56	6.52	6.45
Ontario	7.23	7.23	7.20	7.09	6.79	6.74	7.22	7.23	7.21	7.15
Prairie Region	7.18	7.14	7.11	7.09	6.71	6.66	7.26	7.21	7.17	7.12
British Columbia	9.37	9.34	9.31	9.23	8.73	8.68	9.37	9.34	9.26	9.19

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Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, April 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,574,057,000 square feet (146 234 000 m²) of corrugated boxes and wrappers in April, an increase of 7.2% from 1,468,942,000 square feet (136 470 000 m²) a year earlier.

January to April shipments totalled 6,471,137,000 square feet (601 188 000 m²) in 1979 compared to 5,786,075,000 square feet (537 544 000 m²) in 1978.

For further information, order the April issue of *Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, March 1979 — Advance Information

Advance information on canned and frozen fruits and vegetables for the month of March is now available.

For further information, order the March issue of *Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Rod Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

New Housing Price Indexes

(1976=100)

	Weights	% change				
		April 1979	March 1979	April 1978	Apr. 79/ Mar. 79	Apr. 79/ Apr. 78
St. John's	1.0	104.8	104.8	101.7	—	3.0
Halifax	1.7	102.3	102.3	102.2	—	0.1
Quebec	3.6	128.1	127.6	117.7	0.4	8.8
Montreal	9.5	110.1	109.9	106.2	0.2	3.7
Ottawa-Hull	5.7	100.9	100.9	100.9	—	—
Toronto	21.2	98.1	98.1	99.7	—	-1.6
Hamilton	4.2	103.6	103.6	104.1	—	-0.5
St. Catharines-Niagara	2.3	114.6	114.6	112.8	—	1.6
Kitchener	2.9	101.2	101.2	102.5	—	-1.3
London	2.4	112.7	112.7	108.5	—	3.9
Windsor	1.0	130.1	130.1	111.1	—	17.1
Thunder Bay	0.9	119.0	119.0	114.7	—	3.7
Winnipeg	3.7	110.9	110.9	110.1	—	0.7
Regina	2.3	100.9	100.9	98.5	—	2.4
Saskatoon	1.9	118.4	118.4	112.1	—	5.6
Calgary	9.9	121.3	121.3	114.6	—	5.8
Edmonton	9.8	119.8	119.8	110.9	—	8.0
Vancouver	10.6	98.9	98.9	97.9	—	1.0
Victoria	1.9	95.0	95.0	95.4	—	-0.4
Canada Composite (22 cities)	100.0*	108.0	108.0	105.1	—	2.8
Canada Composite (House Only)		105.8	105.8	103.5	—	2.2
Canada Composite (Land Only)		113.2	113.2	108.9	—	3.9

* Surveys in New Brunswick, Sudbury and Prince George account for the remaining weight.

For further details on the changes in these indexes, contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Key Economic Series, June 1979

During the coming month, the release of Key Economic Series data is expected to be in accordance with the schedule outlined below. Where a range of dates is given for a series, this represents the period within which publication of the data can be reasonably expected, the variability taking account of circumstances peculiar to each series. Any range may be exceeded on rare occasions, for reasons unpredictable at this time.

May 28 to June 5: Unemployment Insurance Statistics, month of March;

June 1: Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, month of April;

June 1 to 12: Building Permits, month of March;

June 5 to 8: Industry Selling Price Index, month of April;

June 6 to 15: Gross National Product, 1st Quarter 1979;

June 7: Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments, 1st Quarter 1979;

June 12: Labour Force Survey, month of May;

June 15: The Consumer Price Index, month of May;

June 15 to 21: Retail Trade, month of April;

June 18 to 20: Wholesale Trade, month of April;

June 19 to 27: Inventories, Shipments and Orders, month of April;

June 21 to 25: Labour Income, month of April;

June 21 to 25: Financial Flows, 4th Quarter 1978;

June 22 to 29: Employment, Earnings and Hours, month of April;

June 25 to 29: Index of Industrial Production, month of April;

June 25 to July 5: Industrial Corporations' Financial Statistics, 1st Quarter 1979 (Final Data);

June 26 to July 2: Real Domestic Product, month of April;

June 27 to July 4: Unemployment Insurance Statistics, month of April.

Notice of advance information availability: *Financial Flows*, 1st quarter 1979, advance information I from June 27 to July 4; *Field Crop Reporting Series*, No. 7, Telegraphic Crop Report — Prairie Provinces, to be released June 7 at 3 p.m. E.D.S.T.; *Field Crop Reporting Series*, No. 8, June Intentions of Specified Crop and Summerfallow Area, Prairie Provinces, to be released June 15 at 3 p.m. E.D.S.T.; *Field Crop Reporting Series*, No. 9, Telegraphic Crop Report — Canada, to be released June 28 at 3 p.m. E.D.S.T.

It should be noted that the July schedule of Key Economic Series will appear in the *Daily* and on CANSIM on June 27, 1979. The schedule of Key Economic Series is now available on CANSIM, and can be retrieved by using the command "DATES". The schedule will be issued once each month as noted above.

For any enquiry concerning the release of these series, contact Henri Sarrazin (613-992-1566), Production Planning and Scheduling Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day Period Ended May 14, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	3,141,283	2,606,637	5,747,920
Short tons, 1978	1,851,727	2,472,818	4,324,545
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 849 724	2 364 701	5 214 425
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 679 858	2 243 303	3 923 161
% change	69.6	5.4	32.9
Cars, 1979	47,032	37,532	84,564
Cars, 1978	34,215	36,524	70,739
% change	37.5	2.8	19.5
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	158,657	62,767	221,424
Short tons, 1978	158,045	58,658	216,703
Metric tonnes, 1979	143 931	56 941	200 872
Metric tonnes, 1978	143 376	53 214	196 590
% change	0.4	7.0	2.2
Cars, 1979	4,759	2,403	7,162
Cars, 1978	4,868	2,411	7,279
% change	-2.2	-0.3	-1.6
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	46,917,091	41,082,294	87,999,385
Short tons, 1978	40,712,470	40,658,770	81,371,240
Metric tonnes, 1979	42 562 469	37 269 230	79 831 699
Metric tonnes, 1978	36 933 732	36 885 016	73 818 748
% change	15.2	1.0	8.1
Cars, 1979	753,524	601,550	1,355,074
Cars, 1978	698,117	610,749	1,308,866
% change	7.9	-1.5	3.5
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	3,086,427	1,187,674	4,274,101
Short tons, 1978	3,154,208	1,134,779	4,288,987
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 799 959	1 077 440	3 877 399
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 861 449	1 029 454	3 890 903
% change	-2.1	4.7	-0.3
Cars, 1979	93,532	45,453	138,985
Cars, 1978	94,936	45,846	140,782
% change	-1.5	-0.9	-1.3

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended May 14, 1979 —
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Railways in Canada loaded 5.2 million t (5.7 million short tons) of revenue freight in the second week of May, an increase of 32.9% over the year-earlier period. Eastern loadings were up 69.6%, again reflecting in large part losses resulting from labour problems in the iron mining industry of Quebec and Newfoundland in 1978. Western loadings rose by 5.4%.

Container-trailer (piggyback) movements showed only a marginal gain in the East (up 0.4%) but rose 7.0% in the West for an over-all increase of 2.2%.

The volume of rail freight loaded in the January 1 to May 14, 1979 period was 8.1% above the 1978 level, while the number of cars loaded rose 3.5%. Container-trailer (piggyback) traffic registered a decline of 0.3%.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended May 26, 1979 — Advance
 Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended May 26 was 362,472 short tons (328 829 t), an increase of 0.1% from the preceding week's total of 362,128 short tons (328 517 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was a revised 317,308 short tons (287 857 t).

The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 197.8 in the current week, 197.6 a week earlier and 173.2 (revised) a year earlier.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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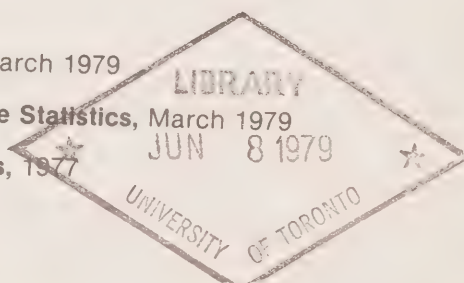
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Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products

(1971=100)

	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Jan. 1979	Dec. 1978	Mar. 1978
Canada	241.7	236.6	224.7	220.2	195.1
Prince Edward Island	254.0	256.1	240.5	249.8	187.8
Nova Scotia	239.7	236.1	230.8	221.3	198.0
New Brunswick	276.9	264.1	270.3	251.3	203.9
Quebec	241.9	243.5	232.5	225.4	198.1
Ontario	232.3	230.5	220.6	215.9	185.9
Manitoba	256.1	249.7	232.0	230.3	203.0
Saskatchewan	241.0	229.0	217.5	215.5	199.8
Alberta	254.9	248.0	230.6	226.2	202.5
British Columbia	221.7	215.1	208.6	200.7	181.9

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products, March 1979 — Advance Information

The index of farm prices of agricultural products (1971=100) stood at 241.7 in March, an increase of 2.2% from the revised February level of 236.6.

The index of farm prices of agricultural products has been rebased to a new time and weight base with 1971 being the new reference year. For further information concerning the rebased index, contact Peter Lys or George Beelen (613-995-4895), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings, April 1979 — Advance Information

Railways in Canada loaded 20.4 million short tons (18.5 million t) of revenue freight in April, a gain of 16.0% from a year earlier. An additional 1.9 million short tons (1.7 million t) was received from the United States, down 5.3% from April 1978.

Commodities showing notable percentage change in the latest month included iron ore (which recorded an artificially high increase of 436.0% due to strikes in the iron mining industry in 1978); and potash (up 24.7%). Loadings of copper-nickel ores and concentrates fell 94.6% due to current labour problems at INCO mines, wheat dropped 43.5% and sand, gravel and crushed stone decreased by 26.1%.

In the first four months of 1979, total rail loadings in Canada registered a 5.4% increase and receipts from the U.S. were up 1.0% from the January-April 1978 period.

For further information, order the April issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, 30¢/\$3) or, for seasonally-adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

The Dairy Review, March 1979 — Advance Information

An estimated 526 802 kilolitres of milk were sold off farms for all purposes in March, 5.6% more than in March 1978.

This brought the total estimate of milk sold off farms during the first three months of 1979 to 1 458 878 kilolitres, an increase of 5.0% from the January-March 1978 period.

For further information, order the April issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact C.M. Riach (613-995-4853), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile, April 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 3,714 short tons (3 369 t) or 7,566,804 square feet (702 979 m²) of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in April compared to 4,293 short tons (3 895 t) or 8,296,668 square feet (770 786 m²) in April 1978.

For further information, order the April issue of *Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles* (47-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact G. Elliot (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

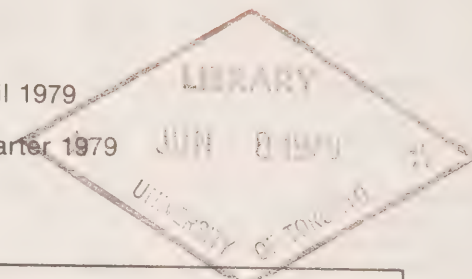
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Establishment of Environmental Information Systems

Statistics Canada has been working on a comprehensive framework for environmental statistics meeting the needs of very diverse groups — including those interested in assessment of environmental impact, conservation and preservation, resource management, environmental rehabilitation, land use, regional planning and environmental engineering.

The bureau has just published a 90-page booklet containing a series of three papers which address this objective. The writers are two specialists in the environment, ecologist David Rapport and economist Anthony Friend. Their topics are: 1. The Need for Environmental Information. 2. Ecological Perspective and the Design of Environmental Information Systems. 3. Frameworks for Environmental Statistics: Recent Experience of Statistics Canada.

This work is entitled *Towards A Comprehensive Framework for Environmental Statistics: A Stress-Response Approach* (catalogue 11-510, \$1.05 in Canada, \$1.25 elsewhere). Copies are available from Publications Distribution, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

22-002 (\$5.60 for series of 20) **Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 5, Telegraphic Crop Report, Prairie Provinces** — Available May 31, 1979 at 3 p.m.

41-203 (70¢) **Iron and Steel Mills, 1977**

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45-207 (70¢) Miscellaneous Petroleum and Coal Products Industries, 1977**46-214 (70¢) Manufacturers of Soap and Cleaning Compounds, 1977****72-002 (70¢/\$7) Employment, Earnings and Hours, February 1979****Housing Starts, All Areas, by Province (Dwelling Units)**

April 1979

	1978					1979				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	18	—	—	—	18	35	—	1	—	36
Prince Edward Island	3	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	1
Nova Scotia	122	—	—	21	143	88	—	6	50	144
New Brunswick	40	2	—	50	92	48	—	—	—	48
Quebec	1,270	250	30	1,522	3,072	1,581	355	22	1,384	3,342
Ontario	1,172	564	241	2,189	4,166	1,299	448	262	1,091	3,100
Manitoba	244	58	115	576	993	71	12	141	399	623
Saskatchewan	182	66	—	157	405	113	12	—	56	181
Alberta	1,133	280	185	576	2,174	1,082	190	107	778	2,157
British Columbia	1,107	146	275	23	1,551	1,023	52	164	186	1,425
Canada Unadjusted	5,291	1,366	846	5,114	12,617	5,341	1,069	703	3,944	11,057
	multiples					multiples				
Canada, adjusted annual rate (000's)	70.1		96.3		166.4	71.1		75.4		146.5
Canada Cumulative	15,529	5,084	5,351	27,153	53,117	15,004	3,265	3,776	15,182	37,227
Newfoundland	61	22	10	31	124	87	2	1	—	90
Prince Edward Island	12	—	—	—	12	10	—	—	134	144
Nova Scotia	418	16	18	351	803	280	17	22	336	655
New Brunswick	147	6	—	90	243	169	2	—	6	177
Quebec	3,523	529	95	7,173	11,320	3,901	877	71	3,348	8,197
Ontario	3,311	1,976	1,437	7,532	14,256	3,144	1,217	961	3,505	8,827
Manitoba	707	461	562	2,877	4,607	333	94	226	1,115	1,768
Saskatchewan	646	224	16	1,306	2,192	737	136	24	1,132	2,029
Alberta	3,649	1,248	2,354	4,890	12,141	3,477	727	1,793	3,988	9,985
British Columbia	3,055	602	859	2,903	7,419	2,866	193	678	1,618	5,355

For further information, order the April issue of *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact J.P. Déglise (613-995-8213), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Federal Government Employment, First Quarter 1979
 — Advance Information

Employees of the federal government (including members of the Canadian Armed Forces) and government enterprises numbered 578,378 as of March 31, 1979. This represented a decline of 5,189 from March 1978, principally due to the termination of extended temporary employment under the Federal Labour Intensive Projects, and the reduction in staff resulting from budget cuts announced by the Treasury Board in September 1978.

Gross payroll (including overtime and retroactive payments) for January-March 1979 was \$2,632.2

million, an increase of \$225.6 million over the corresponding quarter in 1978.

The January-March issue of *Federal Government Employment* (catalogue 72-004) will be released at a later date. Additional information may be obtained by contacting G.M. McIlveen (613-995-9894), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Advance Estimates of Employees

March 1979

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Number of Employees									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Mar. 1979f	Feb. 1979p	Jan. 1979r	Dec. 1978r	Mar. 1978 (000's)	Feb. 1978	Mar. 1979f	Feb. 1979p	Jan. 1979r	Dec. 1978r
Industry Division										
Forestry	55.2	58.6	59.9	63.5	49.7	55.5	69.3	68.5	69.1	69.4
Mining (including milling)	137.8	136.8	137.0	134.3	135.1	140.2	140.2	139.2	138.5	135.8
Manufacturing	1,826.8	1,807.8	1,797.8	1,799.5	1,746.4	1,730.7	1,859.6	1,856.3	1,847.3	1,841.9
Construction	379.9	368.2	375.6	389.1	374.3	365.3	436.8	434.0	439.8	443.8
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	794.3	791.1	794.7	795.9	774.6	773.3	816.0	814.4	816.8	812.3
Trade	1,471.4	1,469.6	1,477.9	1,507.5	1,432.8	1,415.2	1,495.4	1,498.3	1,496.8	1,475.5
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	491.4	490.9	488.9	486.8	484.8	483.2	495.8	495.5	492.4	488.9
Total Service	2,632.2	2,617.9	2,587.3	2,544.5	2,544.1	2,527.0	2,623.6	2,622.8	2,603.0	2,579.5
Non-commercial Service	1,470.7	1,469.4	1,444.1	1,423.4	1,445.8	1,442.8	1,426.5	1,426.3	1,414.3	1,414.1
Commercial Service	1,161.4	1,148.4	1,143.2	1,122.2	1,098.3	1,084.2	1,197.2	1,196.5	1,188.7	1,165.3
Public Administration and Defence(1)	619.0	614.1	611.5	612.8	625.9	619.1	629.4	627.0	629.6	630.7
Total Non-agricultural Industries(2)	8,416.9	8,362.8	8,338.6	8,344.7	8,173.8	8,114.5	8,578.7	8,570.1	8,545.5	8,491.5
Total Non-agricultural Industries										
Newfoundland	126.8	127.0	126.0	129.2	120.5	122.6	134.7	135.6	134.5	133.6
Prince Edward Island	29.2	29.0	29.1	29.2	27.6	27.3	32.3	31.9	32.0	30.7
Nova Scotia	241.7	240.6	241.0	244.3	232.5	231.9	251.3	250.6	251.6	249.9
New Brunswick	180.0	180.4	180.8	183.3	175.4	176.0	190.1	192.8	192.4	191.0
Quebec	2,129.5	2,125.0	2,119.0	2,088.6	2,067.6	2,047.8	2,169.7	2,179.0	2,169.7	2,135.9
Ontario	3,348.7	3,336.9	3,330.7	3,359.1	3,305.0	3,288.1	3,406.7	3,405.0	3,399.4	3,405.9
Manitoba	349.2	343.9	344.2	345.3	338.9	335.9	356.7	352.9	352.5	348.7
Saskatchewan	262.1	255.7	252.7	255.8	248.0	245.4	267.3	261.1	257.6	257.6
Alberta	772.2	765.7	763.8	762.1	726.5	724.6	787.2	781.7	780.4	770.7
British Columbia	945.8	928.2	921.3	915.5	903.8	888.2	946.6	941.7	939.5	929.8
Canada(3)	8,416.9	8,362.8	8,338.6	8,344.7	8,173.8	8,114.5	8,578.7	8,570.1	8,545.5	8,491.5

f first estimate based on a limited number of returns

p preliminary figures

r revised figures

(1) Excludes military personnel

(2) Includes Fishing and Trapping

(3) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories

Estimates of Employees, March 1979 — Advance Information

Monthly summary data are released on a regular basis in the *Statistics Canada Daily*, while detailed monthly information is published in catalogue 72-008, *Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry*, and is also available from G. Mahoney (613-995-6868), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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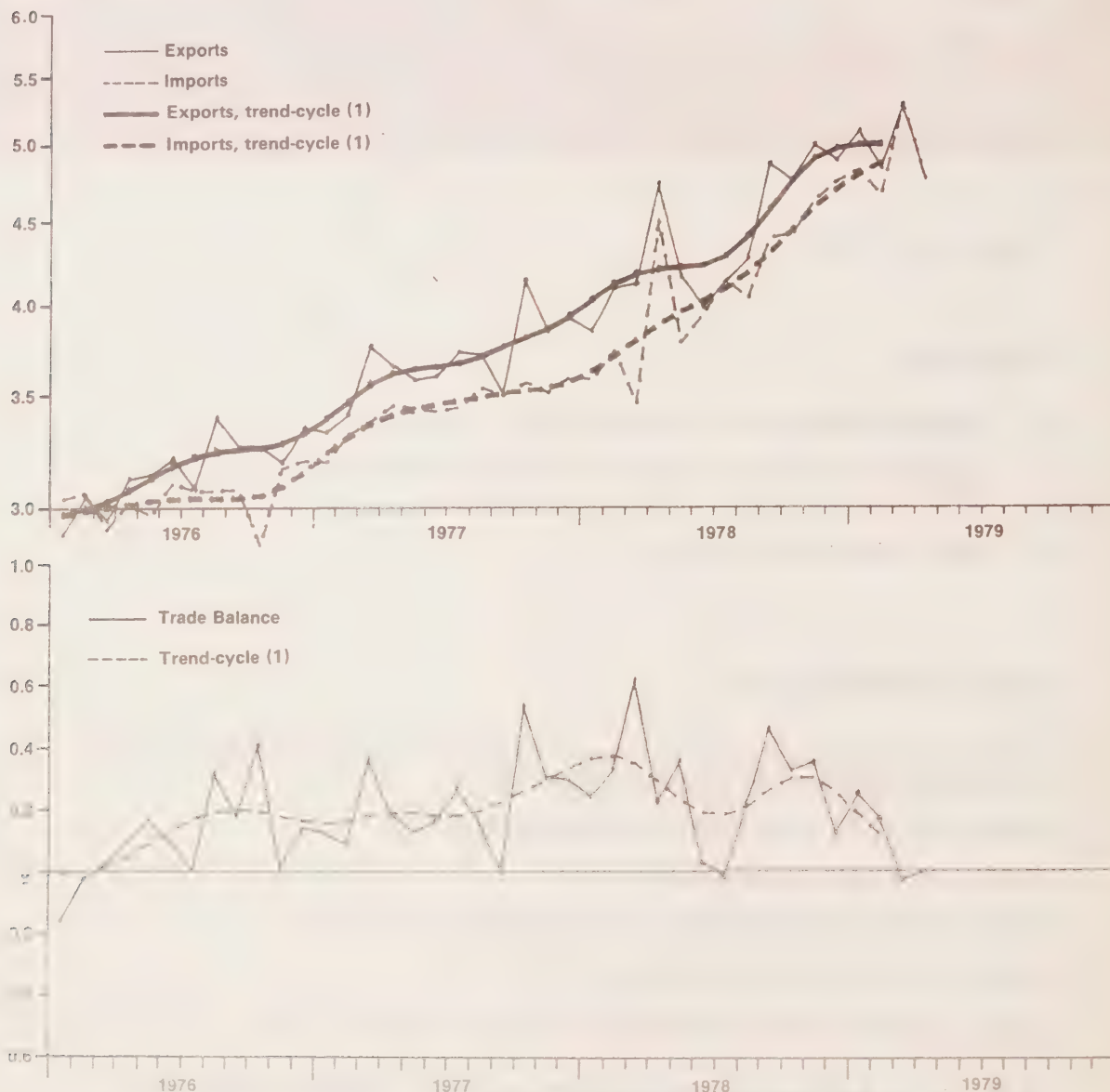
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- 15-509E** (\$7.50 in Canada, \$9.00 in other countries) **The Input-Output Structure of the Canadian Economy in Constant Prices, 1961-74**
- 32-002** (15¢/\$1.50) **Dairy Factory Production, April 1979**
- 36-001** (15¢/\$1.50) **Hardboard, April 1979**
- 36-004** (15¢/\$1.50) **Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, April 1979**
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- 81-239** (\$1.05) **Students in Public Trade Schools and Similar Institutions, 1976-77**

EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE: ALL COUNTRIES

Seasonally Adjusted
Balance of Payments Basis

Billions of Dollars



Source: Monthly trade figures, particularly exports and the trade balance, often fluctuate widely about the trend-cycle. The trend-cycle without further smoothing derived from the fast-moving averages used in the X-11 seasonal adjustment technique. Changes in the trend-cycle provide a more reliable guide to the direction and rate of change of trade data over the short term. Estimates of the trend-cycle for the two most recent periods often change considerably with the addition of further months of data. The accompanying charts and summaries of changes in the trend-cycle therefore exclude the two most recent observations.

Merchandise Trade of Canada

	Customs Basis*		Balance of Payments Basis*				
	Unadjusted		Unadjusted		Seasonally Adjusted		
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports (\$ millions)	Exports	Imports	Trade Balance
1977							
Fourth Quarter	11,927	10,906	11,950	10,700	11,866	10,700	1,166
1978							
First Quarter	11,728	10,713	11,830	10,750	12,007	10,792	1,215
Second Quarter	13,966	13,589	13,575	13,120	12,806	12,164	642
Third Quarter	12,522	11,649	12,417	11,506	13,172	12,487	685
Fourth Quarter	14,626	13,987	14,689	13,753	14,526	13,686	840
1979							
First Quarter	14,773	14,786	14,767	14,560	15,082	14,656	426
1978							
November	5,265	4,913	5,239	4,852	4,956	4,590	366
December	4,557	4,280	4,537	4,213	4,850	4,712	138
1979							
January	4,976	4,780	4,944	4,696	5,049	4,789	260
February	4,494	4,463	4,496	4,371	4,802	4,620	182
March	5,302	5,543	5,327	5,493	5,231	5,247	-16
April	4,776	4,850	4,692	4,827	4,736	4,724	12

*In the above table, export and import totals are shown on both a "customs" and a "balance-of-payments" basis. The figures on a customs basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts explained in Summary of External Trade. The figures on a balance-of-payments basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices. For more information about these adjustments, please refer to Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20).

Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, April 1979

On a seasonally adjusted balance-of-payments basis, April exports fell 9.5% or \$495 million to \$4,736 million, slightly less than the 10% or \$523 million fall in imports to \$4,724 million. This resulted in a surplus of \$12 million for April, about the same level as the previous month's revised balance. (Revisions to previous data have been implemented as a result of the regular annual revisions to seasonal factors and unadjusted data.)

In terms of the short term trend-cycle (as depicted by the heavy lines on the accompanying charts), monthly growth in exports has virtually ceased while the import trend-cycle has continued to grow, although at a rate which has been diminishing since November 1978. The net result is that the trend-cycle for the trade balance has declined from a peak level of just over \$300 million in October and November 1978 to \$270 million in December 1978, \$200 million in January, and \$130 million in February 1979.

Commodity Analysis

Exports (Seasonally Adjusted), Customs Basis

The April decline in domestic exports was mainly due to decreases in exports of fabricated materials, end products, and crude materials.

Fabricated material exports were down 12% or \$215 million to \$1,595 million following a 5.7% increase in March. Non-ferrous metals were down 30% or \$95 million to \$225 million following a 14% increase in March and woodpulp exports were down 27.4% or \$80

million to \$210 million following a 50% increase in March. End product exports were down 5% or \$85 million to \$1,610 million with car exports down 15% in March and 5.6% in April. Truck exports fell 5.2% and automotive parts exports fell 19.6% following a 2.4% increase in March. Crude material exports decreased 8.4% or \$85 million to \$905 million following a 14.5% increase in March. Metallic ores declined 44% or \$160 million to \$205 million following a 36% increase in March. Food, feed, beverage and tobacco exports increased 18% in March and 27% in April to \$580 million.

The trend-cycles for exports of end products and fabricated materials peaked in December 1978 and showed small declines in January and February. The pattern of a peak in trend-cycle towards the end of 1978 or beginning of 1979 and of declines thereafter was evident for most commodities in these two sections which together accounted for 70% of exports based on February trend-cycle values. Exceptions which had not reached their peak by February were pulp, petroleum and coal products, and other transportation equipment, although their growth rates were declining. In spite of the current month's decrease, noted above, the crude material export trend-cycle is maintaining steady growth with increases of close to 3% a month for the three months December 1978 to (continued on page 5)

Table 1
Imports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1977							
Fourth Quarter	10,906.4	7,883.0	7,637.7	325.3	2,943.4	594.6	485.1
1978							
First Quarter	10,753.9	7,800.2	7,590.5	338.1	2,825.3	667.4	483.5
Second Quarter	12,633.2	9,221.8	8,909.9	401.6	3,321.7	769.5	591.4
Third Quarter	12,630.0	9,242.1	8,952.1	401.7	3,276.2	713.9	618.4
Fourth Quarter	13,920.6	10,417.7	9,793.6	458.6	3,668.4	884.9	575.3
1979							
First Quarter	14,881.7	10,970.1	10,950.4	404.5	3,526.8	921.3	680.8
1978							
November	4,650.8	3,488.7	3,243.1	150.7	1,257.0	287.6	178.5
December	4,779.4	3,578.1	3,433.1	168.9	1,177.4	304.7	193.7
1979							
January	4,873.9	3,521.2	3,652.4	141.4	1,080.2	313.3	193.5
February	4,710.9	3,349.9	3,522.0	84.5	1,104.3	289.3	154.1
March	5,296.8	4,099.0	3,776.0	178.6	1,342.3	318.7	333.2
April	4,747.2	3,590.7	3,402.5	178.4	1,166.3	301.3	178.4
Percent changes							
April/March	-10.3	-12.4	-9.8	-0.1	-13.1	-5.4	-46.4
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	3.1	4.2	3.6	-4.2	2.7	0.4	17.6
Apr. 79/Apr. 78	-1.8	-0.3	1.6	7.5	-11.7	-12.4	-29.8

Table 2
Imports by Principal Trading Areas, Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Monthly (\$ millions)						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1979	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Apr.	Mar.	Feb.
United States	3,591.7	3,889.2	3,323.7	3,395.4	2,602.0	2,696.5	5.7	49.4	23.2
United Kingdom	178.7	196.4	79.8	154.4	119.3	127.3	15.7	64.7	-37.3
Other E.E.C.	303.5	334.2	251.3	321.7	237.7	220.7	-5.6	40.6	13.8
Japan	161.3	340.5	156.1	220.2	147.3	194.6	-26.7	131.2	-19.7
Other O.E.C.D.	153.4	132.0	119.2	126.8	93.6	112.0	20.9	41.1	6.4
Other America	187.7	232.1	257.5	231.6	146.8	187.5	-18.9	58.1	37.3
Other Countries	273.9	418.5	275.1	281.9	218.7	394.5	-2.8	91.3	-30.2
All Countries	4,850.2	5,543.2	4,462.6	4,731.9	3,565.3	3,933.2	2.4	55.4	13.4
	Year-to-Date						Apr.-Apr. Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1979	Mar. 1979	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	79/78	78/77	
United States	14,219.6	10,627.9	10,820.0	7,424.6	9,576.0	7,004.9	31.4	12.9	
United Kingdom	592.6	413.9	498.1	343.8	398.5	298.9	18.9	25.0	
Other E.E.C.	1,206.8	903.3	971.9	650.2	714.5	528.8	24.1	36.0	
Japan	871.3	710.0	724.2	504.0	546.3	409.8	20.3	32.5	
Other O.E.C.D.	567.3	413.9	438.3	311.5	396.6	294.1	29.4	10.5	
Other America	897.4	709.7	836.6	605.0	834.3	619.7	7.2	0.2	
Other Countries	1,281.2	1,007.3	1,155.4	873.5	1,078.0	821.2	10.8	7.1	
All Countries	19,636.3	14,786.1	15,444.5	10,712.6	13,544.1	9,977.4	27.1	14.0	

Table 3

**Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings,
Not Seasonally Adjusted**

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1979	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Apr.	Mar.	Feb.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	5.7	6.2	6.4	6.3	3.0	2.8	-9.6	108.2	131.4
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	288.5	314.3	268.2	335.1	235.2	283.8	-13.9	33.6	-5.5
Meat and fish	49.6	53.2	43.0	43.1	34.7	50.3	14.9	53.3	-14.6
Fruits and vegetables	114.3	122.9	98.7	118.1	83.8	88.6	-3.1	46.5	11.2
Raw sugar	5.8	5.6	21.6	14.7	0.0	20.2	-60.6	..	6.8
Crude Materials, Inedible	518.0	600.0	458.0	437.8	296.0	507.5	18.3	102.6	-9.7
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	65.6	35.6	40.3	74.9	20.9	42.0	-12.4	70.4	-4.0
Coal	52.9	1.0	0.9	13.5	0.4	0.6	292.8	118.5	42.2
Crude petroleum	281.5	407.5	302.9	246.7	201.3	362.4	14.0	102.4	-16.4
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	865.5	1,031.0	744.5	816.3	651.6	653.7	6.0	58.2	13.8
Wood and paper	78.8	90.9	66.2	71.9	60.6	60.9	9.5	49.9	8.6
Textiles	106.9	124.8	101.6	109.0	81.5	86.2	-1.8	53.0	17.8
Chemicals	264.3	311.7	236.5	270.7	213.9	202.5	-2.3	45.7	16.7
Iron and steel	105.6	118.2	85.6	90.6	73.9	74.5	16.5	60.0	14.8
Bars and rods, steel	10.1	14.1	10.0	11.6	9.6	7.3	-12.3	46.7	37.1
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	32.2	37.4	29.9	26.9	21.7	29.1	19.5	72.2	2.6
Non-ferrous metals	107.4	137.6	66.9	64.8	51.6	57.6	65.6	166.6	16.1
End Products, Inedible	3,012.7	3,558.9	2,953.0	3,088.3	2,349.0	2,455.5	-2.4	51.5	20.2
General purpose machinery	182.4	333.2	158.6	169.6	134.5	133.2	7.5	147.8	19.0
Special industry machinery	256.6	292.6	225.1	243.3	179.1	204.7	5.4	63.4	9.9
Machine tools, metalworking	22.2	28.9	18.7	17.7	12.4	18.7	25.2	133.5	0.2
Agricultural machinery and tractors	190.0	202.3	135.2	167.9	112.5	114.2	13.1	79.7	18.4
Transportation equipment	1,456.1	1,558.5	1,538.5	1,516.7	1,158.6	1,205.2	-3.9	34.5	27.6
Passenger automobiles and chassis	390.2	384.8	320.2	396.5	321.9	298.2	-1.5	19.5	7.3
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	150.5	168.4	149.5	116.9	105.4	92.6	28.6	59.7	61.3
Other motor vehicles	34.7	48.1	36.8	36.8	26.3	30.2	-5.6	82.6	21.8
Motor vehicle engines	94.6	94.5	107.0	81.8	58.6	62.7	15.5	61.3	70.7
Motor vehicle engine parts	38.1	50.7	47.3	73.5	53.3	61.3	-48.1	-4.9	-22.9
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	612.4	634.7	685.4	659.3	471.9	544.7	-7.1	34.4	25.8
Aircraft, complete with engines	24.0	27.6	69.0	23.7	21.1	11.6	1.1	30.9	497.4
Other equipment and tools	517.0	656.5	501.4	556.4	423.3	432.2	-7.0	55.0	16.0
Electronic computers	74.7	103.6	87.3	78.7	58.6	60.1	-5.1	76.7	45.1
Special Transactions, Trade	159.8	32.7	32.5	48.1	30.4	29.9	232.4	7.6	8.6
Total	4,850.2	5,543.2	4,462.6	4,731.9	3,565.3	3,933.2	2.4	55.4	13.4

February 1979. This was mainly the result of strong growth in crude petroleum exports and steady growth in natural gas exports.

Imports (Seasonally Adjusted), Customs Basis

The decline in April imports was mostly the result of a 14.3% or \$475 million decrease in imports of end products to \$2,845 million following a 9% increase in March. Declines of 10% or more were registered for most end product commodities. Automotive product imports were down 18% or \$240 million to \$1,110 million. Car and truck imports were both down over 20% following increases of around 10% in March. Automotive parts imports were down 10% in March and 14.5% in April 1979. Industrial machinery imports declined nearly 30% following a more than 50% increase in March 1979.

Imports of crude materials declined 22.5% or \$150 million to \$515 million in April, following a 17% increase in March. The April decline was mostly the result of a decline in imports of crude petroleum. Fabricated material imports decreased 7.4% or \$70

million to \$900 million, and food, feed, beverages and tobacco fell 7% or \$25 million to \$320 million.

Monthly growth in the trend-cycle for end products, which account for nearly two-thirds of imports, continues to weaken from an increase of 3.9% in November 1978 to a 1.4% increase in February 1979. A similar pattern is evident for most end product commodities. Exceptions are imports of industrial machinery, where growth in the trend-cycle has been better than 3% per month between October 1978 and February 1979 despite the April decrease noted above; imports of agricultural machinery which appear to be gaining upward momentum, and imports of passenger cars for which the trend-cycle has increased about 2% in January and February 1979. The trend-cycle for imports of fabricated materials and food, feed, beverages and tobacco are also exhibiting weakening growth. The crude materials import trend-cycle peaked in January 1979, and since declined slightly.

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Table 3 (Continued)

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings,
Not Seasonally Adjusted

			Year-to-Date				Apr.-Apr. Percent Changes	
	Apr. 1979	Mar. 1979	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	79/78	78/77
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	23.3	17.6	14.4	8.1	17.2	9.7	61.9	-16.5
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	1,187.9	899.4	1,094.7	759.6	983.3	731.9	8.5	11.3
Meat and fish	201.5	151.8	167.6	124.5	159.8	119.3	20.2	4.8
Fruits and vegetables	445.9	331.6	360.8	242.7	309.0	223.3	23.5	16.7
Raw sugar	45.9	40.1	55.0	40.3	52.1	40.2	-16.4	5.4
Crude Materials, Inedible	2,139.6	1,621.6	1,691.4	1,253.6	1,609.9	1,165.4	26.5	5.0
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	235.0	169.4	172.6	97.7	124.3	71.8	36.0	38.8
Coal	101.8	48.9	29.3	15.8	54.8	32.9	247.6	-46.5
Crude petroleum	1,259.5	978.0	1,130.9	884.2	1,087.7	802.2	11.3	3.9
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	3,521.5	2,656.0	2,651.9	1,835.6	2,154.4	1,608.3	32.7	23.0
Wood and paper	310.8	232.0	239.8	167.9	222.6	170.7	29.6	7.7
Textiles	453.2	346.3	353.1	244.1	287.6	215.6	28.3	22.7
Chemicals	1,053.1	788.8	841.8	571.1	646.7	475.3	25.1	30.1
Iron and steel	412.1	306.5	300.9	210.3	239.7	180.3	36.9	25.5
Bars and rods, steel	43.7	33.5	36.0	24.5	30.9	24.1	21.1	16.7
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	136.9	104.7	99.4	72.5	76.6	58.2	37.6	29.7
Non-ferrous metals	435.9	328.5	212.1	147.3	146.6	107.4	105.5	44.6
End Products, Inedible	12,503.4	9,490.6	9,857.4	6,769.1	8,644.7	6,360.2	26.8	14.0
General purpose machinery	840.1	657.8	548.4	378.8	460.6	341.2	53.2	19.0
Special industry machinery	1,042.9	786.3	781.1	537.8	693.8	516.9	33.5	12.5
Machine tools, metalworking	97.3	75.1	65.1	47.4	52.1	38.2	49.4	24.9
Agricultural machinery and tractors	666.7	476.7	477.6	309.7	494.7	368.9	39.5	-3.4
Transportation equipment	5,911.4	4,455.3	4,826.1	3,309.4	4,227.3	3,029.8	22.4	14.1
Passenger automobiles and chassis	1,365.5	975.2	1,249.1	852.6	1,115.8	775.7	9.3	11.9
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	589.5	439.0	372.0	255.1	342.6	246.8	58.4	8.5
Other motor vehicles	154.0	119.3	118.2	81.4	124.7	87.3	30.2	-5.2
Motor vehicle engines	391.8	297.2	248.0	166.2	175.9	128.0	57.9	41.0
Motor vehicle engines parts	184.2	146.1	244.6	171.1	224.2	164.7	-24.6	9.1
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	2,570.9	1,958.5	2,124.7	1,465.4	1,861.5	1,338.0	20.9	14.1
Aircraft, complete with engines	131.8	107.7	58.7	35.0	29.5	21.9	124.3	98.7
Other equipment and tools	2,263.2	1,746.2	1,776.6	1,220.1	1,471.8	1,114.6	27.3	20.7
Electronic computers	357.1	282.4	250.3	171.6	180.9	140.3	42.6	38.3
Special Transactions, Trade	260.6	100.9	134.8	86.7	134.5	101.8	93.4	0.2
Total	19,636.3	14,786.1	15,444.5	10,712.6	13,544.1	9,977.4	27.1	14.0

Trading Partner Analysis

Total Exports (Seasonally Adjusted), Customs Basis

Exports to the United States declined 7.2% in April with a decrease of \$255 million to \$3.31 billion following a 4% increase in March. Growth in the exports trend-cycle to the U.S. has leveled off from monthly increases of about 3% in October and November 1978 to a 0.4% increase in February 1979.

Exports to EEC countries excluding the United Kingdom fell 21% or \$75 million to \$270 million in April following an 11% increase in March. Growth in the exports trend-cycle to other EEC countries is also weakening from an increase of 7% in October 1978 to an increase of 1.7% in February 1979.

Exports to Japan fell 4.7% in April to \$345 million following a close to one-third increase in March. Trend-cycle growth in exports to Japan is holding up well with monthly increases of between 3% and 4% between October 1978 and February 1979.

Total Imports (Seasonally Adjusted), Customs Basis

Imports from the U.S. declined \$375 million or 9.9% in April to \$3.41 billion following a 7.2% increase in

March. The rate of growth in the imports trend-cycle from the U.S. continued to decline but at a slower pace than exports, diminishing from an increase of 4.4% in November 1978 to an increase of 1.9% in February 1979.

Imports from EEC countries, apart from the United Kingdom, declined 5.4% to \$300 million following a 10% increase in March; trend-cycle growth continued to weaken from a monthly increase of 6.6% in October 1978 to an increase of 1.1% in February 1979.

Imports from Japan fell \$155 million or 46.4% to \$180 million following a greater than 100% increase in March. However trend-cycle growth continued to increase from a decline of 0.8% in October 1978 to an increase of 4% in February 1979.

For further information on area and commodity trade, order the April issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

Table 4
Total Exports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs Basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	Total excluding cars and wheat	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1977								
Fourth Quarter	11,843.3	8,953.1	8,539.3	8,379.1	497.0	2,967.2	695.7	609.7
1978								
First Quarter	11,904.9	9,076.9	8,702.3	8,483.3	493.7	2,927.8	672.5	668.4
Second Quarter	13,196.6	10,199.9	9,667.8	9,285.0	552.2	3,359.3	726.3	772.9
Third Quarter	13,277.1	10,198.6	9,657.2	9,347.2	482.6	3,447.3	690.0	784.7
Fourth Quarter	14,463.6	10,920.1	10,455.5	10,059.7	478.0	3,925.8	823.1	836.0
1979								
First Quarter	15,087.2	11,629.2	11,211.2	10,545.6	525.0	4,016.6	971.0	933.2
1978								
November	4,982.5	3,800.8	3,610.0	3,396.3	181.5	1,404.6	284.3	328.4
December	4,870.7	3,700.1	3,569.9	3,480.7	143.4	1,246.5	276.1	284.1
1979								
January	5,081.0	3,917.5	3,769.9	3,545.7	211.6	1,323.7	320.0	292.3
February	4,799.7	3,703.0	3,583.6	3,430.7	145.9	1,223.0	308.9	276.5
March	5,206.5	4,008.8	3,857.8	3,569.2	167.4	1,469.9	342.1	364.4
April	4,820.1	3,909.9	3,654.7	3,312.1	183.4	1,324.6	269.0	347.3
Percent changes								
April/March	-7.4	-2.4	-5.2	-7.2	9.5	-9.8	-21.3	-4.6
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	-0.7	1.7	1.3	-1.0	-7.4	1.0	4.5	9.2
Apr. 79/Apr. 78	-4.3	0.1	-0.5	-2.7	-10.7	-7.2	-1.4	9.0

Table 5
Total Exports by Principal Trading Areas, Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1979	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Apr.	Mar.	Feb.
(\$ millions)									
United States	3,435.3	3,769.0	3,284.9	3,416.0	2,993.7	2,902.1	0.5	25.9	13.1
United Kingdom	170.8	183.7	128.9	190.0	177.9	170.8	-10.0	3.2	-24.5
Other E.E.C.	223.7	316.5	281.8	227.6	210.6	236.3	-1.6	50.2	19.2
Japan	334.6	363.7	244.5	271.9	198.1	243.8	23.0	83.5	0.3
Other O.E.C.D.	123.3	138.5	111.9	93.0	84.5	102.5	32.6	63.8	9.2
Other America	201.4	170.6	175.7	216.6	201.0	199.7	-7.0	-15.1	-12.0
Other Countries	287.1	360.2	266.1	264.3	221.8	259.7	8.6	62.3	2.4
All Countries	4,776.2	5,302.3	4,493.9	4,679.2	4,087.6	4,114.7	2.0	29.7	9.2
	Year-to-Date						Apr.-Apr. Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1979	Mar. 1979	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	79/78	78/77	
United States	13,932.1	10,496.8	11,864.6	8,448.7	9,792.6	7,216.8	17.4	21.1	
United Kingdom	676.2	505.4	664.7	474.7	597.1	466.0	1.7	11.3	
Other E.E.C.	1,145.1	921.3	860.1	632.6	835.9	660.0	33.1	2.8	
Japan	1,275.1	940.5	927.3	655.4	816.8	611.3	37.5	13.5	
Other O.E.C.D.	530.3	407.0	362.5	269.6	417.2	327.9	46.2	-13.0	
Other America	736.4	535.0	773.6	557.0	533.8	398.5	-4.8	44.9	
Other Countries	1,253.6	966.5	954.4	690.1	879.0	666.7	31.3	8.5	
All Countries	19,548.8	14,772.6	16,407.2	11,728.0	13,872.4	10,347.2	19.1	18.2	

Table 6

**Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings,
Not Seasonally Adjusted**

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1979	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Apr.	Mar.	Feb.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	21.4	15.2	14.4	22.7	16.2	17.7	-5.8	-6.5	-18.9
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	435.8	376.9	300.3	377.9	291.1	341.1	15.3	29.4	-11.9
Meat and fish	163.9	123.1	94.9	127.9	81.0	79.9	28.0	51.9	18.6
Cereals and preparations	182.5	156.2	110.0	157.7	136.4	162.3	15.7	14.4	-32.1
Wheat	123.5	110.0	73.4	106.5	88.3	93.1	15.9	24.6	-21.2
Crude Materials, Inedible	821.2	983.3	795.5	723.4	659.2	745.6	13.5	49.1	6.6
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	161.2	279.6	176.9	164.7	162.3	194.8	-2.1	72.2	-9.1
Crude petroleum	197.5	186.3	161.0	132.8	131.1	137.0	48.7	42.1	17.5
Natural gas	226.3	212.5	243.1	200.9	184.0	205.9	12.6	15.5	18.0
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,713.6	1,961.5	1,625.8	1,787.4	1,494.1	1,515.5	-4.1	31.2	7.2
Wood and paper	893.0	1,003.0	754.7	853.6	724.8	701.9	4.6	38.3	7.5
Lumber, softwood	316.0	319.9	221.1	302.8	222.4	234.0	4.3	43.8	-5.5
Wood pulp and similar pulp	214.4	287.6	200.4	177.2	165.7	173.5	20.9	73.5	15.5
Newsprint paper	250.3	268.6	230.5	263.7	241.7	206.9	-5.0	11.1	11.3
Textiles	12.1	15.0	13.2	14.7	11.8	12.6	-17.8	27.5	5.2
Chemicals	231.7	248.8	209.7	243.9	188.4	173.6	-5.0	32.0	20.8
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	82.6	81.2	59.1	72.7	69.9	74.6	13.6	16.1	-20.7
Petroleum and coal products	60.9	87.9	105.9	57.6	58.7	80.7	5.7	49.6	31.2
Iron and steel	125.0	124.9	117.6	133.1	110.3	108.7	-6.0	13.2	8.2
Non-ferrous metals	234.9	322.7	273.6	339.8	268.3	309.5	-30.8	20.2	-11.5
Copper and alloys	30.6	43.6	28.0	48.8	42.6	69.7	-37.2	2.2	-59.8
Nickel and alloys	35.4	37.5	48.0	76.1	58.7	76.1	-53.5	-36.1	-37.0
End Products, Inedible	1,674.5	1,841.9	1,663.6	1,682.9	1,557.0	1,409.1	-0.5	18.2	18.0
Industrial machinery	138.9	159.6	127.2	138.4	147.6	116.9	0.3	8.1	8.7
Agricultural machinery and tractors	70.9	78.1	53.5	58.9	45.7	53.8	20.4	70.9	-0.5
Transportation equipment	1,183.8	1,302.9	1,218.1	1,237.8	1,151.4	1,012.3	-4.3	13.1	20.3
Passenger automobiles and chassis	387.7	389.1	387.5	490.8	424.4	372.0	-21.0	-8.3	4.1
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	275.3	308.8	281.8	238.5	246.1	232.7	15.4	25.4	21.1
Other motor vehicles	14.2	20.9	19.0	16.1	17.9	12.8	-12.0	16.7	48.8
Motor vehicle engines and parts	75.9	79.8	82.1	101.7	89.9	78.3	-25.3	-11.2	4.7
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	288.7	354.6	315.3	304.2	239.9	241.0	-5.1	47.7	30.7
Other equipment and tools	127.5	143.2	124.0	111.1	90.4	96.2	14.8	58.3	28.9
Special transactions, Trade	12.6	12.1	10.6	6.7	7.1	6.5	87.0	70.9	63.5
Total	4,679.1	5,190.8	4,410.1	4,601.1	4,024.8	4,035.5	1.6	28.9	9.2

Postcensal Estimates of Population by Census Division in Ontario, June 1, 1977 — Advance Information

Postcensal estimates of population for Ontario as of June 1, 1977 are now available by census division. The estimates will be published at a later date in catalogue 91-206, a bulletin which will provide details about methodology and data sources as well as comments on the results and their interpretation.

For further information, contact J. Kelly (613-995-2212), Demography Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Table 6 (Continued)

**Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings,
Not Seasonally Adjusted**

	Year-to-Date		Year-to-Date		Year-to-Date		Apr.-Apr. Percent Changes	
	Apr. 1979	Mar. 1979	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	79/78	78/77
			(\$ millions)					
Live Animals	71.0	49.6	66.2	43.5	35.9	24.2	7.2	84.5
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	1,533.8	1,098.0	1,291.2	913.4	1,199.9	891.3	18.7	10.3
Meat and fish	496.5	332.6	364.2	236.3	267.8	179.1	36.3	35.9
Cereals and preparations	633.2	450.7	596.9	439.2	606.0	482.3	6.0	-1.5
Wheat	450.6	327.1	382.0	275.4	431.7	337.0	17.9	-11.5
Crude Materials, Inedible	3,490.3	2,669.1	2,858.4	2,135.0	2,744.5	2,059.8	22.1	4.1
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	843.6	682.4	681.6	516.9	689.8	527.3	23.7	-1.1
Crude petroleum	717.8	520.3	564.3	431.6	594.7	441.2	27.1	-5.1
Natural gas	909.0	682.7	803.6	602.7	703.1	510.5	13.1	14.3
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	7,113.1	5,389.5	6,073.5	4,286.1	4,892.6	3,484.5	17.1	29.4
Wood and paper	3,583.8	2,690.8	2,911.2	2,057.6	2,409.9	1,764.5	23.1	20.8
Lumber, softwood	1,173.7	857.7	964.4	661.6	687.4	503.0	21.7	40.2
Woodpulp and similar pulp	964.6	750.3	663.7	486.6	732.2	546.4	45.3	-9.3
Newsprint paper	989.5	739.2	914.3	650.6	723.0	523.8	8.2	26.4
Textiles	54.7	42.6	47.4	32.7	36.2	28.3	15.2	31.0
Chemicals	913.4	681.7	723.8	479.9	570.3	414.9	26.1	26.9
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	292.6	210.0	262.0	189.3	249.4	177.5	11.6	5.0
Petroleum and coal products	364.4	303.5	273.3	215.7	236.4	193.1	33.3	15.6
Iron and steel	500.7	375.8	439.2	306.2	327.3	236.9	14.0	34.1
Non-ferrous metals	1,059.5	824.5	1,155.3	815.6	793.3	610.3	-8.2	45.6
Copper and alloys	123.8	93.1	201.2	152.4	171.4	136.2	-38.4	17.3
Nickel and alloys	140.9	105.5	282.0	205.8	118.5	84.0	-50.0	137.8
End Products, Inedible	6,886.7	5,212.2	5,819.0	4,136.1	4,947.5	3,677.9	18.3	17.6
Industrial machinery	572.4	433.5	492.2	353.8	367.0	280.3	16.2	34.0
Agricultural machinery and tractors	247.7	176.8	183.5	124.6	206.2	147.5	35.0	-11.0
Transportation equipment	4,929.0	3,745.2	4,299.8	3,062.0	3,730.2	2,770.0	14.6	15.2
Passenger automobiles and chassis	1,552.6	1,164.8	1,632.6	1,141.8	1,587.2	1,163.9	-4.9	2.8
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	1,120.1	844.8	904.2	665.7	647.5	483.6	23.8	39.6
Other motor vehicles	84.1	70.0	62.7	46.5	48.6	34.6	34.2	29.0
Motor vehicle engines and parts	328.5	252.6	355.3	253.7	330.3	250.9	-7.5	7.5
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	1,296.2	1,007.5	998.5	694.3	824.7	611.8	29.8	21.0
Other equipment and tools	530.8	403.2	366.5	255.4	288.7	216.6	44.8	26.9
Special Transactions, Trade	53.7	41.1	27.3	20.5	20.3	16.1	96.8	34.1
Total	19,148.6	14,469.5	16,135.6	11,534.5	13,610.7	10,153.8	18.6	18.5

Selected Principal Statistics for Motor Vehicle Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3230		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	23	22	-4.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	35,122	38,636	10.0
Man-hours paid	000's	77,089	85,333	10.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	539,128	657,498	22.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	31,647	39,904	26.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	5,919,261	6,904,745	16.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	7,276,146	8,610,375	18.3
Value added	\$000	1,350,964	1,755,660	30.0
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	49,079	52,473	6.9
Total salaries and wages	\$000	798,695	945,443	18.4
Total value added	\$000	1,874,407	2,266,171	20.9

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-5326), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Motor Vehicle Manufacturers, 1977* (42-209, 70¢)

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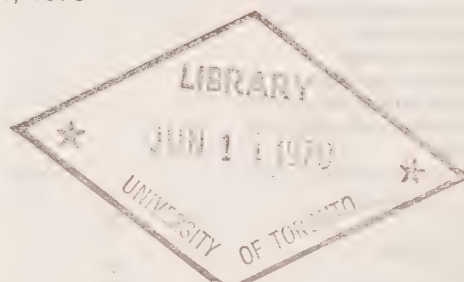
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Foreign Direct Investment in Canada, Year-Ends 1972-76, Classification by Industry Group

Industry Group	1972r	1973r	1974r	1975r	1976	1972r	1973r	1974r	1975r	1976
	(\$ millions)									
	Owned in United States					Owned in United Kingdom				
Manufacturing:										
Vegetable products	1,079	1,206	1,395	1,571	1,652	142	146	169	184	208
Animal products	247	296	328	348	355	10	8	7	6	7
Textiles	219	242	292	320	346	60	60	69	77	78
Wood and paper products	1,936	1,935	2,076	2,159	2,446	139	165	235	262	285
Iron and products	3,532	3,957	4,416	4,843	5,306	171	190	191	220	218
Non-ferrous metals	1,146	1,255	1,376	1,609	1,600	73	78	100	108	117
Non-metallic minerals	279	309	353	431	475	57	70	70	68	77
Chemicals and allied products	1,470	1,633	1,915	2,196	2,511	214	217	271	285	315
Miscellaneous manufactures	226	249	288	347	378	2	2	3	3	4
Sub-totals	10,134	11,082	12,439	13,824	15,069	868	936	1,115	1,213	1,309
Petroleum and natural gas	6,037	6,751	7,150	7,810	8,422	602	665	728	743	801
Mining and smelting	2,909	3,149	3,397	3,672	3,647	162	169	277	281	351
Utilities	463	469	474	561	645	53	43	6	4	4
Merchandising	1,432	1,649	1,861	2,105	2,312	235	252	288	318	345
Financial	2,000	2,238	2,706	3,082	3,402	792	959	976	971	961
Other enterprises	705	805	1,018	1,197	1,369	114	134	143	150	174
Totals	23,680	26,143	29,045	32,251	34,866	2,826	3,158	3,533	3,680	3,945
	Owned in All Other Countries					Owned by All Non-Residents				
Manufacturing:										
Vegetable products	124	147	184	146	180	1,345	1,499	1,748	1,901	2,040
Animal products	18	21	33	45	37	275	325	368	399	399
Textiles	5	13	22	16	16	284	315	383	413	440
Wood and paper products	394	418	422	420	379	2,469	2,518	2,733	2,841	3,110
Iron and products	73	75	110	132	150	3,776	4,222	4,717	5,195	5,674
Non-ferrous metals	59	78	81	90	104	1,278	1,411	1,557	1,807	1,821
Non-metallic minerals	162	244	238	305	325	498	623	661	804	877
Chemicals and allied products	137	151	114	124	161	1,821	2,001	2,300	2,605	2,987
Miscellaneous manufactures	6	7	9	9	12	234	258	300	359	394
Sub-totals	978	1,154	1,213	1,287	1,364	11,980	13,172	14,767	16,324	17,742
Petroleum and natural gas	832	906	960	1,002	1,042	7,471	8,322	8,838	9,555	10,265
Mining and smelting	231	303	358	388	435	3,302	3,621	4,032	4,341	4,433
Utilities	29	30	32	36	29	545	542	512	601	678
Merchandising	174	215	234	248	311	1,841	2,116	2,383	2,671	2,968
Financial	699	709	754	941	1,130	3,491	3,906	4,436	4,994	5,493
Other enterprises	106	145	130	148	176	925	1,084	1,291	1,495	1,719
Totals	3,049	3,462	3,681	4,050	4,487	29,555	32,763	36,259	39,981	43,298

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Foreign Direct Investment in Canada, 1976 — Advance Information

The book value of foreign direct investment in Canada amounted to \$43,298 million at the end of 1976, an increase of 8% in the year. This represented the smallest growth in relative terms since 1972.

Capital movements for foreign direct investment in Canada, as recorded in the balance-of-payments series, registered a net outflow of \$260 million during 1976. Although direct investment in Canada is normally associated with net inflows of capital, there were a number of takeovers by Canadian enterprises (repatriations) of foreign-controlled firms, which contributed to the net outflow of funds noted above.

Present estimates indicate that undistributed earnings accruing to foreign direct investors accounted for about three-fourths of the expansion in direct investment. Another factor, normally quite small, contributed markedly to the increase in these external liabilities — this was borrowing by foreign-controlled enterprises from investors (other than the controlling shareholder group) in the foreign country of control which amounted to almost half a billion dollars. (While this is treated as direct investment in the investment

position it should be noted that these transactions are recorded as portfolio investment in the balance of payments.) The introduction of new respondents accounted for about \$200 million in the increase in investment.

Direct investment is defined as long-term capital provided by or accruing to residents of the foreign country of control for use in Canada by direct investment enterprises. It covers long-term debt (bonds, debentures, loans, advances, etc.) and equity (common and preferred shares, and retained earnings). Direct investment is the largest single component of Canada's over-all liabilities to non-residents.

Geographical Distribution

Direct investment by residents of the United States rose by 8% (compared to advances of 11% in 1975 and 1974) to reach \$34,866 million, accounting for over 80% of total foreign direct investment. Investment owned by United Kingdom investors grew by 7% to \$3,945 million to comprise 9% of total direct invest-

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Foreign Direct Investment* in Canada, Year-Ends 1972-76

Classification by Area of Ownership

	1972r	1973r	1974r	1975r	1976
	(\$ millions)				
Area					
North America and Caribbean:					
United States	23,680	26,143	29,045	32,251	34,866
Bahamas	86	66	77	90	97
Bermuda	31	35	51	77	75
Mexico	11	7	10	14	1
Netherlands Antilles	7	8	5	15	19
Other	10	10	10	19	21
Sub-total	23,825	26,269	29,198	32,466	35,079
South and Central America:					
Panama	39	40	51	71	65
Venezuela	3	2	1	4	3
Other	4	10	9	3	2
Sub-total	46	52	61	78	70
Europe:					
United Kingdom	2,826	3,158	3,533	3,681	3,945
European Economic Community** (excluding U.K.):					
Belgium and Luxembourg	280	347	360	443	508
France	512	622	587	667	742
Italy	72	68	79	80	93
Netherlands	481	564	613	684	746
West Germany	350	411	435	510	610
Sub-total	1,695				
Denmark	13	23	21	17	18
Ireland	4	5	3	5	5
Sub-total		2,040	2,098	2,406	2,722
Norway	16	10	14	12	11
Sweden	181	192	214	222	234
Switzerland	396	405	424	494	586
Austria	3	3	4	4	5
Other	133	139	190	182	175
Sub-total	5,267	5,947	6,477	7,001	7,678
Africa	160	171	185	93	88
Asia:					
Japan	194	250	258	258	294
Hong Kong	26	25	18	24	26
Other	10	11	12	16	7
Sub-total	230	286	288	298	327
Australasia:					
Australia	19	32	40	37	45
Other	8	6	10	8	11
Sub-total	27	38	50	45	56
Total	29,555	32,763	36,259	39,981	43,298
Developed Countries — total	29,323	32,544	35,961	39,581	42,905
Developing Countries — total	230	215	284	380	361
Centrally Planned Economies — total	2	4	14	20	32

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* Direct investment covers investment in branches, subsidiaries and controlled companies.

** Effective January 1, 1973, Denmark, Ireland and the United Kingdom became members of the European Economic Community.

ment at the end of 1976. The third largest direct investor country was the Netherlands, with \$746 million, followed closely by France with \$742 million. Direct investment from the Netherlands rose by 9%, with the increase largely in petroleum and natural gas, and in non-ferrous metals, while the bulk of the increase from France was in the financial industry. West Germany remained in fifth position, increasing by \$100 million, mainly in financial enterprises, to \$610 million. There was a decline in direct investment from the category of "other European countries" to \$175 million, due mainly to a fall in investment from Finland.

Industrial Distribution

Investment in manufacturing, comprising 41% of total foreign direct investment, amounted to \$17,742 million at 1976 year-end. About 88% of the growth of \$1,418 million in manufacturing related to investment from the U.S.

Foreign investment in petroleum and natural gas amounted to \$10,265 million, to represent 24% of total direct investment. A large part of the \$710 million

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increase in direct investment in this industry was due to the growth in retained earnings. Foreign investment in this industry was moderated by the purchase of the assets of Atlantic Richfield Canada Ltd. by a Canadian enterprise. Out of a total of \$5,493 million invested in the finance industry about \$2.3 billion was in insurance concerns while \$1.5 billion was in sales finance firms. During 1976 there was a rise of \$499 million in direct investment in this industry, with residents in the U.S. and "all other countries" accounting for \$320 million and \$189 million, respectively. There was a small decrease of \$10 million in investment owned in the U.K. due to the reclassification to other industries of two enterprises formerly classified to real estate.

Direct investment in manufacturing owned in the U.S. amounted to \$15,069 million, some 43% of total investment from that country. Of this amount \$5,306 million was in iron and products, \$2,511 million in chemicals and \$2,446 million in wood and paper products. Investment in petroleum and natural gas comprised almost one-fourth of total investment owned in the U.S. Investment in mining and smelting, at \$3,647 million, was also significant, followed by the financial industry with \$3,402 million.

About one-third of direct investment owned in the U.K. was invested in manufacturing, which totalled \$1,309 million at the end of 1976. Two of the larger manufacturing subsectors were chemicals and wood and paper products with \$315 million and \$285 million, respectively. Investment in the financial category was next largest, at \$961 million, with over one-half invested in insurance concerns. There was also sizeable investment by U.K. residents in petroleum and natural gas, amounting to \$801 million.

About 30% or \$1,364 million of the investment owned in all other countries was in manufacturing, of which \$379 million was in the wood and paper products subsector while \$325 million was in non-metallic minerals. Investment in the financial industry was next largest, jumping by 20% to \$1,130 million at 1976 year-end, with almost one-half invested in real estate enterprises. Investment in mining and smelting was next in size with \$1,042 million.

For further information, contact F. Chow (613-996-2545), Balance of Payments Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z8.

Feed Price Indexes, April 1979 — Advance Information

Feed price indexes, Canada and five geographical regions, are now available for April 1979.

For further information, contact the Information Unit (613-995-5738), Industrial Prices Section, Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, April 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary statistics for April 1979 show that 1.9 million United States visitors entered Canada, up 2.3% from a year earlier. Canadian residents returning from the U.S. numbered 3.0 million, an increase of 0.8% from April 1978. Visitors entering Canada from countries other than the U.S. totalled 106,900, up 36.9%, while Canadian travellers returning from these countries decreased by 9.7% to 152,300. (When analysing these figures, it should be noted that Easter was celebrated in April this year but in March in 1978.)

On a year-to-date basis, 6.0 million U.S. visitors entered Canada, an increase of 0.7% from January-April 1978, while the number of Canadian travellers returning from the U.S. totalled 9.9 million, down 5.8% from the year-earlier period. Visitors from other countries increased by 18.4% to 252,500, whereas Canadian residents returning from these countries totalled 689,400, a decrease of 3.3% from the first four months of 1978.

Long-term travellers from the U.S. (including overnight or longer auto and bus traffic and all plane, boat and train entries) were down 0.8% for January-April 1979, while Canadians returning from the U.S. decreased by 2.5%. Tourists from other countries (excluding those arriving by land via the U.S. and entering and leaving on the same day) increased by 15.1% where as Canadian long-term travellers returning from these countries dropped by 3.3%.

For further information, order the April issue of *International Travel — Advance Information* (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mike Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day Period Ended May 21, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,951,284	2,307,594	5,258,878
Short tons, 1978	1,748,351	2,456,634	4,204,985
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 677 360	2 093 414	4 770 774
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 586 077	2 228 621	3 814 698
% change	68.8	-6.1	25.1
Cars, 1979	45,030	33,354	78,384
Cars, 1978	32,780	36,133	68,913
% change	37.4	-7.7	13.7
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	163,982	59,240	223,222
Short tons, 1978	156,592	56,974	213,566
Metric tonnes, 1979	148 762	53 742	202 504
Metric tonnes, 1978	142 058	51 686	193 744
% change	4.7	4.0	4.5
Cars, 1979	4,945	2,091	7,036
Cars, 1978	4,914	2,321	7,235
% change	0.6	-9.9	-2.8
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	49,868,375	43,393,498	93,261,873
Short tons, 1978	42,460,821	43,115,404	85,576,225
Metric tonnes, 1979	45 239 829	39 365 919	84 605 748
Metric tonnes, 1978	38 519 809	39 113 637	77 633 446
% change	17.4	0.6	9.0
Cars, 1979	798,554	634,904	1,433,458
Cars, 1978	730,897	646,882	1,377,779
% change	9.3	-1.9	4.0
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	3,249,209	1,246,914	4,496,123
Short tons, 1978	3,310,800	1,191,753	4,502,553
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 947 633	1 131 181	4 078 814
Metric tonnes, 1978	3 003 507	1 081 140	4 084 647
% change	-1.9	4.6	-0.1
Cars, 1979	98,477	47,544	146,021
Cars, 1978	99,850	48,167	148,017
% change	-1.4	-1.3	-1.3

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended May 21, 1979 —
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Railway revenue freight loaded in the above-noted week totalled 4.8 million t (5.3 million short tons), an increase of 25.1% over the corresponding 1978 period. Traffic originating in the East showed a gain of 68.8% (due mainly to strikes affecting iron ore production in 1978), while loadings in the West declined by 6.1%.

Container-trailer (piggyback) loadings (included above) were up 4.5%, with increases in traffic recorded in both the East and West.

In the January 1 to May 21, 1979 period, rail carload freight was up 9.0% from the 1978 level at 84.6 million t

(93.3 million short tons). During the same cumulative period, cars loaded numbered 1,433,458, a gain of 4.0% and container-trailer (piggyback) shipments declined 0.1%.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

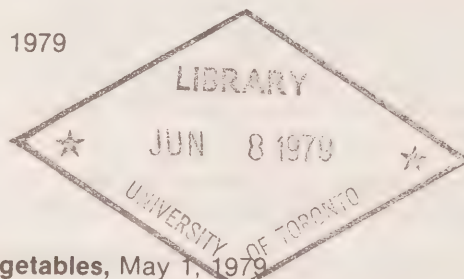
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New Motor Vehicle Sales, April 1979 — Advance Information

New motor vehicles sold in April totalled 132,349 units, down 3.4% from a year earlier. This included 86,391 passenger cars (up 5.2%) and 34,475 commercial vehicles (down 0.6%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S., and 10,726 passenger cars (down 43.1%) and 757 commercial vehicles (down 41.9%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value increased 13.1% to \$1,053.1 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$627.8 million (up 18.2%) and commercial vehicles for \$342.0 million (up 18.3%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas decreased 24.6% to \$78.0 million and those of commercial vehicles decreased 26.8% to \$5.4 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 292 units of coaches and buses valued at \$6.1 million.

Seasonally-adjusted April sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. decreased 10.1% from March to 73,679 units and those of passenger cars from overseas decreased 14.7% to 8,947 units. Similarly-adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were down 10.6% to 30,820 units.

For the first four months of 1979, total sales reached 456,551 units (439,024 in 1978), with an accumulated value of \$3,622.5 million. This represented an increase of 20.8% in value over sales for January-April 1978.

For further information, order the April issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact M. Kwilecki (613-996-9304), Retail Trade Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, March 1979 — Advance Information

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies increased in March to 632,700,000 feet board measure (1 493 006 m³) from a revised 574,806,000 feet board

measure (1 356 390 m³) in March 1978. Stocks on hand at the end of March 1979 totalled 725,659,000 feet board measure (1 712 364 m³).

For further information, order the March issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

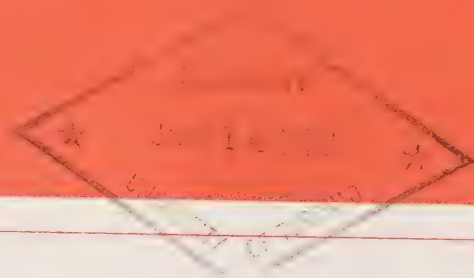
Steel Ingots, Week Ended June 2, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended June 2 was 359,701 short tons (326 315 t), a decrease of 0.8% from the preceding week's total of 362,472 short tons (328 829 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 316,138 short tons (286 796 t).

The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 196.3 in the current week, 197.8 a week earlier and 172.5 a year earlier.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Unemployment Insurance Statistics

				% Change From	
	Mar. 1979	Feb. 1979	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1979	Mar. 1978
Benefits					
Amount paid (\$000)	429,490	427,774	471,167	—	-9
Weeks of benefit (000)	3,979	3,958	4,266	1	-7
Average weekly benefit (\$)	107.95	108.09	110.46	—	-2
Claims received (000)	193	198	207	-3	-7
Beneficiaries (000)	938p	966p	997	-3	-6
	To Date			% Change From	
	1979		1978	3 months 1979/1978	
Benefits					
Amount paid (\$000)	1,383,209		1,445,732		-4
Weeks of benefit (000)	12,603		13,160		-4
Average weekly benefit (\$)	109.75		109.86		—
Claims received (000)	699		718		-3
Beneficiaries(1) (000)	950p		1,013		-6

(1) Monthly average

p Preliminary figures

For further information, order the March 1979 issue of *Preliminary Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001-p) or *Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-001, Quarterly, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact George Fincham (613-995-8445), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Preliminary Report on Unemployment Insurance Statistics, March 1979 — Advance Information

Claimants qualifying for unemployment insurance benefits for the week ending March 17 totalled 938,000,* a decrease of 3% from February and down 6% from March 1978. Thirty-five percent of the beneficiaries were under 25 years of age.

In March, benefits paid amounted to \$429 million,* a marginal increase from the previous month but 9% less than the \$471 million paid in March 1978. For the first quarter of 1979, benefits totalled \$1,383 million, 4% less than in the January-March period of 1978. The decrease is due to fewer weeks of benefit paid as the average weekly payment remained virtually unchanged at \$109.75.

Claims filed in March by persons applying for benefits totalled 193,000, down 3% from February and 7% from March 1978. For the first quarter, some 699,000 claims were received, a drop of 3% from the same period in 1978.

* The count of beneficiaries cannot be related to benefit payments made during a month. Whereas the latter figure covers all benefit payments made during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons who qualified for benefits for a specific week each month regardless of when they received payment.

Telephone Statistics, April 1979 — Advance Information

Canada's 13 major telephone systems reported revenues of \$415.1 million in April, up 20.8% from a year earlier. Operating expenses increased 16.6% to \$272.3 million. Net operating revenue at \$142.8 million showed an increase of 29.8% over April 1978. Telephone toll messages were up 12.7% to 96.5 million.

For further information, order the April issue of *Telephone Statistics* (56-002, \$1.50 a year), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportations and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Railway Freight Traffic, 1978 — Advance Information

Railways in Canada hauled 262.9 million short tons (238.5 million t) of revenue freight in 1978, a decrease of 3.4% from 1977. The total included 241.4 million short tons (219.0 million t) loaded domestically (down 3.7% from the previous year) and 21.4 million short tons (19.4 million t) received from the United States (a decline of 0.6%).

On the basis of commodity groups, increased traffic was recorded for: live animals (up 14.4%); food, feed, beverages and tobacco (up 1.8%); fabricated materials (up 4.4%) and special traffic (up 3.5%). The crude materials category declined 9.2%, end products decreased 3.4% and non-carload freight was down 14.4% from 1977.

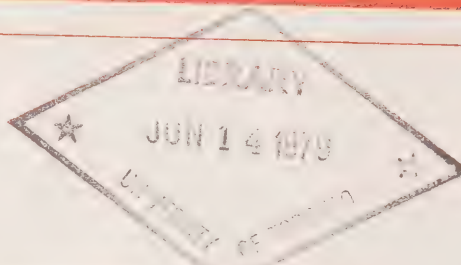
A geographic breakdown of freight loaded by rail in Canada in 1978 showed volume decreases in Newfoundland (-33.3%), Prince Edward Island (-7.6%), New Brunswick (-0.6%), Quebec (-9.3%), Ontario (-5.4%) and the Territories (-2.6%). Manitoba recorded the largest percentage increase in traffic, up 14.1% over 1977. Nova Scotia loadings were 9.4% higher; British Columbia followed with a gain of 8.1%, Saskatchewan with 4.5% and Alberta with 3.4%.

For further information, order the 1978 issue of *Railway Freight Traffic* (52-205, \$2.80), or contact M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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22-002 (\$5.60 for series of 20) **Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 7, Telegraphic Crop Report — Prairie Provinces** — Available June 7, 1979, at 3 p.m.

32-012 (30¢/\$3) **Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, May 1979**

32-013 (15¢/\$1.50) **The Sugar Situation, April 1979**

32-203 (\$1.05) **Bakeries, 1977**

32-220 (70¢) **Estimates of Production and Disappearance of Meats, 1978**

34-213 (70¢) **Fur Goods Industry, 1977**

35-006 (35¢/\$1.40) **Quarterly Shipments of Office Furniture Products, Quarter Ended March 31, 1979**

41-214 (70¢) **Smelting and Refining, 1977**

42-217 (70¢) **Truck Body and Trailer Manufacturers, 1977**

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44-001 (15¢/\$1.50) Cement, April 1979**44-210 (70¢) Miscellaneous Non-metallic Mineral Products Industries, 1977****63-004 (\$1.50 a year) Department Store Sales by Regions, April 1979****Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments, First Quarter 1979**

In the first quarter of 1979 Canada's seasonally-adjusted current account deficit fell to \$1,696 million, down from \$1,765 million in the previous quarter.

Unadjusted for seasonal variations, the deficit in the quarter was \$2,326 million. Capital movements, which are not seasonally adjusted, resulted in a net inflow of \$4,892 million, while the balancing item representing net errors and omissions in the recorded estimates of the current and capital accounts was equivalent to a net outflow of \$1,404 million. The over-all surplus described above, together with a \$219 million allocation of Special Drawing Rights led to a \$1,381 million increase in net official monetary assets.

The main quarterly features were:

- a 50% reduction in the seasonally-adjusted merchandise trade surplus to \$426 million as the growth in the value of imports at 7.1% was almost twice that of exports. Price rises accounted for all of the growth in exports and almost half that in imports.
- based on preliminary data, there were large increases, on a seasonally-adjusted basis, for exports of woodpulp, crude petroleum, iron ore, nickel, copper and coal; declines were registered for automotive products, wheat and aluminum. Import commodities which rose the most were automotive products, industrial machinery, communications and related equipment, agricultural machinery, non-ferrous metals and chemicals and related products, while a substantial decline was recorded for crude petroleum.
- a \$483 million fall in the seasonally-adjusted non-merchandise trade deficit to \$2,122 million. Major factors in this drop were a sharp reduction in dividend payments to non-residents following a temporary surge in such payments in the fourth quarter of 1978 occasioned by impending tax changes, an increase in interest and dividend receipts from abroad and a decline in travel payments (which to some extent reflects the impact of Easter falling in April in 1979).
- a swing of \$2,608 million to a net inflow of \$2,545 million from capital movements in long-term forms. The principal factors in this turnaround were increases in inflows from new issues of Canadian bonds placed abroad and medium and long-term borrowing from foreign banks (borrowing in these forms by the federal government accounted for \$1,603 million in the quarter compared to \$863 million in the previous quarter), a reduction in the net outflow to \$125 million from foreign direct investment in Canada as special factors associated with such transactions declined in importance in the quarter, and a swing to a net inflow of \$120 million from Canadian direct investment abroad, largely reflecting the sale of a major overseas utility.
- a net inflow of \$2,347 million from capital movements in short-term forms, up \$1,478 million from

the previous quarter, mainly due to increased inflows as chartered banks and other residents ran down their foreign currency balances abroad, increased net inflows as non-residents built up their holdings of all types of Canadian money market instruments except finance company paper, and a swing to a net inflow from other short-term capital transactions.

- an allocation of 141 million Special Drawing Rights, equivalent to \$219 million, the first allocation of these reserve assets by the International Monetary Fund since 1972.
- an over-all surplus on current and capital account, which, together with the allocation of Special Drawing Rights, led to a net increase in reserves of \$1,381 million — reserve assets increased by \$1,029 million while liabilities were reduced by \$352 million. The net increase in reserve assets includes the proceeds of bond and note issues and bank loans in Switzerland and Japan totalling the equivalent of US\$1,366 million and the repayment of US\$300 million of borrowings obtained under the standby credit facility with the Canadian chartered banks.
- a sharp fall to US 83.20 cents in February in the external value of the Canadian dollar, its lowest level since the early 1930s, followed by an even sharper recovery in March to close the quarter at US 86.25 cents.

For further information, contact D.K. McAlister (613-995-0743), Balance of Payments Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. The main tables can be obtained, in machine-readable form, from the CAN-SIM base.

Department Store Sales by Regions, April 1979

Department store sales totalled \$606.3 million in April, an increase of 7.8% from a year earlier. Sales were up in all regions of Canada.

Department store sales by regions for the latest month, with percentage increases from April 1978 in brackets:

- Ontario, \$218.6 million (5.2%);
- Quebec, \$114.1 million (7.5%);
- British Columbia, \$98.9 million (8.8%);
- Alberta, \$82.1 million (10.7%);
- Atlantic Provinces, \$40.5 million (16.7%);
- Manitoba, \$34.9 million (6.2%);
- Saskatchewan, \$17.3 million (10.9%).

For further information, order the April issue of *Department Store Sales by Regions* (63-004, \$1.50 a year).

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural)

		1978		1979	
		Year-to-Date	April	Year-to-Date	April
		20	20	20	20
Carriers Reporting					
Passenger Revenue Earned					
Intercity & Rural Services	\$	41,243,865r*	10,700,265r*	37,808,488*	10,727,222*
Urban-Suburban Services	\$	131,935r	32,572r	111,710	22,222
Other Services (e.g. charter)	\$	13,902,076r	3,461,206r	14,082,710	3,703,421
Fare Passengers Carried					
Intercity & Rural Services	No.	10,609,237r*	2,705,504r*	9,337,256*	2,507,141*
Urban-Suburban Services	No.	255,637r	63,799r	155,166	29,766
Other Services (e.g. charter)	No.	**	**	**	**
Total Distance Run					
Intercity & Rural Services	miles:	36,929,047r*	9,455,363r*	32,358,262*	8,883,335*
	km:	59 431 540r*	15 216 932r*	52 075 575*	14 296 343*
Urban-Suburban Services	miles:	155,302r	38,487r	123,035	22,450
	km:	249 934r	61 939r	198 007	36 130
Other Services (e.g. charter)	miles:	11,729,107r	2,808,051r	10,213,240	2,597,664
	km:	18 876 168r	4 519 120r	16 436 611	4 180 532
Fuel Consumed					
Diesel Oil	gal.:	6,318,457r	1,609,960r	5,485,568	1,457,068
	L:	28 724 274r	7 319 023r	24 937 887	6 623 964
Gasoline	gal.:	1,255,461r	302,481r	1,285,529	274,505
	L:	5 707 439r	1 375 106r	5 844 128	1 247 924

* Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

** The number of fare passengers carried for "Other Services" is not kept by all carriers.

r Revised figures.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), April 1979 — (Published Only In *Statistics Canada Daily*)

The accompanying table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available. Figures have been added showing total distance run and fuel consumed, using the International System of Units; this is the most modern version of the metric system, supported by the International Bureau of Weights and Measures and is the system of units which Canada is adopting.

The following observations apply to the data in this release:

- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of over-all charter and contract operations;
- Passengers paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and travelling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only;
- Total distance run in a revenue service includes distance run empty which was necessary to provide the revenue service.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-995-1976), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Urban Transit, April 1979 — Advance Information

In April, 58 urban transit systems collected 99,731,432 initial passenger fares. The total distance run was 31,470,780 miles (50 647 316 km) and operating revenues amounted to \$38,521,446.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-995-1976), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6, or order the April issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50).

Industrial Chemicals, April 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 111,075,000 lbs. (50 383 metric tonnes) of polyethylene-type synthetic resins in April, up from 69,963,000 lbs. (31 735 tonnes) a year earlier.

For further information, order the April issue of *Specified Chemicals* (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

April 1979 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Apr. 1979	Mar. 1979	Apr. 1978	% Change	
				Apr. 79/ Mar. 79	Apr. 79/ Apr. 78
Total Index	207.9	205.1	188.1	1.4	10.5
Materials	201.9	196.6	176.3	2.7	14.5
Steel and Metal Work	220.7	211.7	179.9	4.3	22.7
Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning	184.3	178.2	164.0	3.4	12.4
Electrical Equipment	188.9	186.0	162.9	1.6	16.0
Concrete Products	215.8	214.5	203.0	0.6	6.3
Lumber and Lumber Products	262.3	259.1	222.3	1.2	18.0
Other	189.1	183.8	170.5	2.9	10.9
Labour	214.6	214.5	201.1	—	6.7

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G. John (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Union Wage Rate Indexes including selected pay supplements are now available for April 1979.

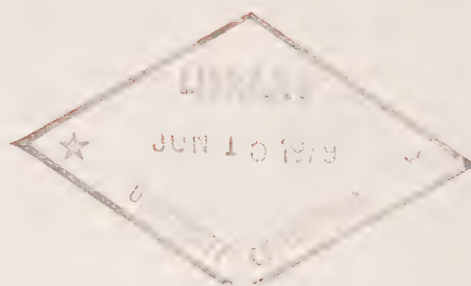
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- 33-206 (70¢) **Rubber Products Industries, 1977**
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- 42-206 (70¢) **Shipbuilding and Repair, 1977**
- 81-216 (\$1.05) **Interprovincial and International Migration of Children in Canada, 1977-78**

Building Permits

March 1979

	Number of Dwelling Units			Value of Residential and Non-Residential Construction				Institutional and governmental	Total
	Singles	Multiples	Total	Residential	Industrial	Commercial (\$000)			
Newfoundland	68	5	73	3,002	297	2,217	199	5,715	
Prince Edward Island	154	12	166	5,646	873	605	—	7,124	
Nova Scotia	263	73	336	12,282	2,829	8,042	479	23,632	
New Brunswick	105	10	115	4,382	147	3,657	2,653	10,839	
Quebec	2,610	1,481	4,091	139,325	23,800	32,253	8,799	204,177	
Ontario	1,971	1,916	3,887	164,369	35,098	61,049	20,437	280,953	
Manitoba	176	35	211	9,291	1,311	9,760	2,409	22,771	
Saskatchewan	314	71	385	17,264	1,516	12,276	2,972	34,028	
Alberta	1,608	1,283	2,891	125,800	4,747	104,935	31,663	267,145	
British Columbia	1,063	161	1,224	56,086	26,774	35,215	14,888	132,963	
Yukon	10	—	10	526	—	220	30	776	
Northwest Territories	3	—	3	135	5	68	—	208	
Canada — Unadjusted	8,345	5,047	13,392	538,108	97,397	270,297	84,529	990,331	
Canada — Adjusted	8,968	5,108	14,076	612,504	140,638	313,972	98,354	1,165,468	
Metropolitan Areas	4,931	3,945	8,876	363,052	44,085	181,552	59,550	648,239	
Calgary	512	644	1,156	49,401	338	55,579	7,947	113,265	
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	64	69	133	4,358	498	302	116	5,274	
Edmonton	588	402	980	45,128	657	21,767	18,419	85,971	
Halifax	71	61	132	5,337	450	636	149	6,572	
Hamilton	181	36	217	9,630	1,144	6,190	2,640	19,604	
Hull	40	1	41	1,567	30	974	567	3,138	
Kitchener	68	14	82	3,296	2,286	2,130	267	7,979	
London	97	107	204	5,818	156	1,341	—	7,315	
Montreal	1,210	1,011	2,221	74,643	10,633	12,763	2,136	100,175	
Oshawa	26	6	32	1,592	4,181	757	17	6,547	
Ottawa	102	355	457	14,570	550	2,856	955	18,931	
Quebec	388	104	492	18,564	123	4,457	2,551	25,695	
Regina	87	8	95	4,766	810	7,168	2,170	14,914	
St. Catharines-Niagara	97	17	114	4,784	1,452	2,314	120	8,670	
Saint John	16	4	20	855	4	1,306	350	2,515	
St. John's	36	4	40	1,578	286	1,111	44	3,019	
Saskatoon	154	51	205	8,761	2	3,964	17	12,744	
Sudbury	31	—	31	1,251	1,231	432	11	2,925	
Thunder Bay	16	4	20	1,152	303	809	—	2,264	
Toronto	514	953	1,467	70,684	14,330	34,307	11,095	130,416	
Vancouver	358	17	375	18,278	3,190	7,755	7,729	36,952	
Victoria	30	6	36	2,178	136	2,116	521	4,951	
Windsor	123	68	191	8,202	233	1,068	346	9,849	
Winnipeg	122	13	135	6,659	1,062	9,450	1,383	18,554	

*Preliminary figures.*For further information, order *Building Permits* March 1979 (64-001, 70¢/\$7).**Building Permits, March 1979 — Advance Information**

The value of proposed construction reflected by building permits rose 22.3% to a seasonally-adjusted level of \$1,165.5 million in March from \$953.2 million in February. Both residential and non-residential permits activity contributed to the increase. In March 1978, the value of new building construction authorized was \$1,013.2 million.

Although the (seasonally adjusted) number of new dwellings authorized was marginally lower in March (14,076) than in February (14,350), the value of residential permits rose 17.3% to \$612.5 million from \$522.4 million in February, reflecting the preference of builders for construction of single-detached homes. The number of dwelling units of this type rose to 8,968 from 7,461 in February while the number of multiple dwellings decreased to 5,108 units from 6,889 in February.

In the non-residential sector, the value of new construction authorized totalled \$553.0 million in March, up 28.4% from the February level of \$430.8 million. Industrial projects' value rose to an estimated \$140.6 million in March from \$93.9 million in February while commercial projects increased to \$314.0 million from \$241.1 million. Publicly-initiated projects, valued at \$98.4 million, were only marginally higher than in February (\$95.8 million).

Early returns for April indicate a continuance of the strength observed in the non-residential sector during March.

For further information, order the March issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, 70¢/\$7), or contact J.P. Déglise (613-995-8215), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. (see table on next page)

Building Permits

(million of dollars)

		1978					1979				
		Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total	Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total
Canada — Unadjusted	Jan.	279.4	48.0	116.2	94.2	537.8	268.3	47.9	155.7	66.5	538.4
	Feb.	350.6	47.5	140.6	84.8	623.5	307.2	53.6	196.4	68.2	625.4
	Mar.	572.8	55.2	246.0	84.6	958.6	538.1	97.4	270.3	84.5	990.3
Canada — Adjusted	Jan.	611.0	89.0	188.4	161.9	1,050.3	546.8	88.5	229.5	117.0	981.8
	Feb.	593.9	84.2	173.7	119.6	971.4	522.4	93.9	241.1	95.8	953.2
	Mar.	596.5	76.6	251.5	88.6	1,013.2	612.5	140.6	314.0	98.4	1,165.5
Canada Jan.-Mar. Unadjusted		1,202.8	150.8	502.7	263.6	2,119.9	1,113.6	198.9	622.4	219.2	2,154.1
Newfoundland		4.0	0.4	2.7	1.8	8.9	4.2	0.7	4.4	1.7	11.0
Prince Edward Island		4.4	1.5	1.4	2.5	9.8	7.5	1.1	1.2	0.1	9.9
Nova Scotia		28.4	0.7	4.5	13.3	46.9	27.7	6.6	23.8	9.2	67.3
New Brunswick		7.1	4.0	8.6	3.8	23.5	7.2	6.1	9.3	18.7	41.3
Quebec		242.0	21.1	66.3	44.2	373.6	240.6	37.5	74.4	28.5	381.0
Ontario		308.6	75.7	181.6	48.1	614.0	300.6	74.9	184.0	44.8	604.3
Manitoba		59.0	2.0	14.0	31.6	106.6	27.0	2.6	39.1	3.5	72.2
Saskatchewan		43.0	0.9	13.8	12.4	70.1	39.4	2.9	26.8	13.7	82.8
Alberta		311.4	26.4	126.2	75.2	539.2	293.9	20.2	178.1	68.8	561.0
British Columbia		191.5	18.1	82.3	30.2	322.1	163.4	45.8	80.1	30.0	319.3
N.W.T. and Yukon		3.4	0.0	1.3	0.5	5.2	2.1	0.5	1.2	0.2	4.0

Fruit and Vegetable Production, June 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian leaf tobacco production in 1978 amounted to 115 615 tonnes, an 11% increase over 1977. The total farm value of the crop amounted to \$298.8 million.

Complete results of the leaf tobacco survey are included in this month's issue of the *Fruit and Vegetable Production* publication. Also included in the June issue are 1979 berry production estimates for some provinces. This month's charts depict Canadian onion and carrot production for the period 1967-1978.

For further information, order *Fruit and Vegetable Production* (22-003, 40¢/\$3), or contact Larry Murphy (613-995-4877), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Sugar Sales, May 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian sugar refineries reported total sales of 104 079 401 kilograms (229,455,841 lbs.) of all types of sugar for May 1979. Domestic sales totalled 89 501 217 kilograms (197,316,442 lbs.) and export sales amounted to 14 578 184 kilograms (32,139,399 lbs.).

For further information, contact T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Particle Board, April 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian firms produced 30,495,000 square feet 5/8" basis (44 975 m³) of Type I particle board in April, an increase of 16.4% from 26,208,000 square feet (38 652 m³) a year earlier. Production of Type II particle board reached 42,384,000 square feet 5/8" basis (62 509 m³), up 18.6% from 35,726,000 square feet (52 690 m³) in April 1978.

For further information, contact Colin Sturton (613-992-5140), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6, or order the April issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Manufacturers of Printing Inks

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3791		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	46	49	6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	835	894	7
Man-hours paid	000's	1,851	1,867	1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	9,894	10,868	10
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	915	1,093	19
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	44,676	47,737	7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	79,318	89,007	12
Value added	\$000	34,707	40,921	18
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,442	1,644	14
Total salaries and wages	\$000	19,376	23,404	21
Total value added	\$000	41,875	49,241	18

For further information, contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Chemical Industries, 1977* (46-216, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Miscellaneous Chemical Industries

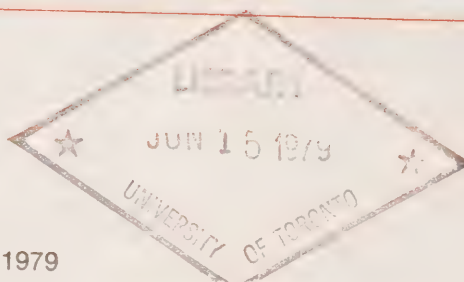
1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3799		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	311	304	-2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	8,194	8,224	—
Man-hours paid	000's	17,047	17,114	—
Manufacturing wages	\$000	90,045	98,590	9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	15,203	15,701	3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	420,811	452,774	8
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	798,617	838,977	5
Value added	\$000	367,701	371,672	1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	14,918	14,948	—
Total salaries and wages	\$000	195,392	216,164	11
Total value added	\$000	409,853	409,800	—

For further information, contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Chemical Industries, 1977* (46-216, 70¢).

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- 72-008** (40¢/\$4) **Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry, February 1979**
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Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing

(1971=100)

	Relative Importance(1)	Index			Percent Change		Percent Contribution to Total Change	
		Apr. 1979*	Mar. 1979*	Apr. 1978	Apr. '79/ Mar. '79	Apr. '79/ Apr. '78	Apr. '79/ Mar. '79	Apr. '79/ Apr. '78
Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing	100.0	210.8	209.1	187.2	0.8	12.6	100.0	100.0
SIC Major Groups:								
1. Food and Beverage Industries	19.9	226.9	227.9	200.7	-0.4	13.1	-11.6	21.7
2. Tobacco Products Industries	1.1	159.0	159.5	147.2	-0.3	8.0	-0.3	0.6
3. Rubber and Plastics Products Industries	2.5	168.0	166.0	154.4	1.2	8.8	2.9	1.5
4. Leather Industries	0.9	241.7	238.1	185.8	1.5	30.1	1.9	2.1
5. Textile Industries	3.5	174.4	171.9	157.4	1.5	10.8	5.4	2.6
6. Knitting Mills	0.9	150.8	149.8	137.4	0.7	9.7	0.5	0.5
8. Wood Industries	4.7	259.8	260.5	219.1	-0.3	18.5	-2.1	8.1
9. Furniture and Fixture Industries	1.6	203.6	201.5	180.9	1.0	12.5	2.0	1.6
10. Paper and Allied Industries	8.2	232.8	229.3	202.2	1.5	15.1	17.1	10.5
12. Primary Metal Industries	8.4	246.6	239.5	203.6	3.0	21.1	35.5	15.0
13. Metal Fabricating Industries	7.5	206.5	204.3	184.3	1.1	12.0	9.8	7.0
14. Machinery Industries	4.4	178.9	178.6	166.9	0.2	7.2	0.9	2.2
16. Electrical Products Industries	6.8	166.9	165.8	155.9	0.6	7.0	4.3	3.2
17. Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries	3.2	207.1	205.3	191.7	0.9	8.0	3.3	2.1
19. Chemical and Chemical Products Industries	6.6	206.3	203.3	187.0	1.5	10.3	11.6	5.3
Other Major Groups(2)	19.8	202.8	201.2	183.3	0.8	10.6	18.8	16.0

* These indexes are preliminary.

(1) Group weights are based on 1971 value of shipments (Census of Manufactures, 1971)

(2) Included are the following major groups: 7. Clothing Industries, 15. Transportation Equipment Industries, 18. Petroleum and Coal Products Industries, 20. Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing (1971=100), April 1979 — Advance Information

The Industry Selling Price Index for manufacturing rose 0.8% to 210.8 in April from 209.1 (revised) in March. The index was 12.6% above its April 1978 level of 187.2.

The major groups which had the most impact on the total index in April were primary metal industries (+3.0%), paper and allied industries (+1.5%), food and beverage industries (-0.4%), chemical and chemical products industries (+1.5%) and metal fabricating industries (+1.1%).

In the primary metal industries, prices rose 4.2% in iron and steel mills with hot rolled carbon sheet and strip increasing 6.1%, hot rolled bars (all types excluding stainless and concrete reinforcing) 7.3%, and cold reduced carbon, alloy and silicon sheet and strip 5.4%. Smelting and refining rose 1.5%, reflecting increases in refined copper (2.0%) and refined zinc (5.3%). The copper and copper alloy rolling, casting and extruding industry index moved up 8.4%.

In the paper and allied industries group, pulp and paper mills increased 1.0%. Although white newsprint in rolls decreased 2.0%, all paper-grade sulphate and soda woodpulp commodities and paper-grade bleached sulphite woodpulp increase between 4.2% and 7.5%. In addition, the corrugated box manufacturers index rose 5.3%, the miscellaneous paper converters index moved up 2.1% and the asphalt roofing manufacturers index increased 8.4%.

In the food and beverage group, which showed the first monthly decline since October 1977, slaughtering

and meat processors decreased 2.9% as prices for fresh and frozen pork fell 12.3% and fresh and frozen beef moved down 2.2%; other decreases recorded were 1.5% in the fish products industry and 4.2% for cane and beet sugar processors. There were increases of 1.2% in the dairy products industry, 3.4% for confectionery manufacturers and 1.8% for soft drink manufacturers.

In the chemical and chemical products industries the index for manufacturers of industrial chemicals (organic) rose 2.4% and that for manufacturers of plastics and synthetic resins increased 4.1%.

The metal fabricating industries increase was due to 1.8% increases in the indexes for the metal stamping and pressing industry and hardware, tool and cutlery manufacturers.

Over the 12 months from April 1978 to April 1979 the major groups which had the most effect on the movement of the total index were food and beverage industries (+13.1%), primary metal industries (+21.1%), paper and allied industries (+15.1%), wood industries (+18.5%), metal fabricating industries (+12.0%) and chemical and chemical products industries (+10.3%).

For further information, order the April issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Information Unit, Industrial Prices (613-995-5738), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Import and Domestic Export Price and Volume Indexes, March 1979 — Advance Information

Both import and export price indexes continued in the first quarter of 1979 the rapid rate of growth begun in the fourth quarter of 1978. The fixed-weight import price index increased 4.0% in the first quarter compared to 4.8% in the fourth quarter, while the corresponding growth rates for export prices were 4.8% and 5.3% in the preceding quarter.

Seasonally-adjusted import volume was 3.8% higher than the fourth quarter level, while export volume declined 1.7%.

For further information, order the April issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

Import and Domestic Export Price and Volume Indexes

Price Indexes Weighted with Current Period Quantities
Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation
(1971=100)

	Imports	Domestic Exports
1976 Annual	157.6	177.2
1977 Annual	176.8	188.7
1978 Annual	200.5	204.8
1977		
IV Quarter	184.4	192.6
1978		
I Quarter	192.4	198.8
II Quarter	195.0	200.2
III Quarter	203.1	207.5
IV Quarter	211.8	213.3
1979		
I Quarter	218.1	226.6
1978		
October	208.3	210.6
November	215.2	214.3
December	211.8	215.9
1979		
January	216.9	223.9
February	218.6	226.3
March	218.8	228.2

Volume Indexes Weighted with 1971 Prices Seasonally Adjusted (1971=100)

	Imports	Domestic Exports
1976 Annual	152.4	121.0
1977 Annual	153.1	131.8
1978 Annual	157.9	144.4
1977		
IV Quarter	150.9	137.2
1978		
I Quarter	145.1	137.8
II Quarter	161.0	143.7
III Quarter	157.7	143.8
IV Quarter	166.7	151.3
1979		
I Quarter	173.0	148.8
1978		
October	164.0	147.2
November	164.4	155.7
December	171.6	151.0
1979		
January	170.9	151.5
February	164.0	142.4
March	184.1	152.4

Farm Cash Receipts, January-April 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates indicate that during the January to April period of 1979 farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland totalled \$4,665.2 million compared to \$3,787.4 million realized during the same period of 1978.

These estimates include: cash receipts from the sale of farm products; Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous years' grain crops; cash advances on farm-stored grains in Western Canada; and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No deduction is made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

For further information, order the January to April issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Peter Lys (613-995-4895), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Total Cash Receipts from Farming Operations

January-April
(millions of dollars)

	1978	1979
Prince Edward Island	32.3	46.2
Nova Scotia	43.6	54.0
New Brunswick	34.5	47.2
Quebec	457.9	571.9
Ontario	1,029.7	1,250.6
Manitoba	322.7	405.8
Saskatchewan	891.7	1,097.0
Alberta	823.0	1,028.4
British Columbia	151.9	164.1
Canada	3,787.4	4,665.2

Railway Operating Statistics, December 1978 — Advance Information

Canada's six major railways reported a combined net loss of \$19.6 million from operations in December 1978. This was in sharp contrast to a combined income of \$11.3 million in the corresponding 1977 month. Operating revenues in the latest period rose 4.2% to \$297.4 million while expenses increased by 15.7% to \$316.9 million.

Revenue freight ton-miles were up 20.8% in December 1978; freight train-miles showed a 10.6% gain; and miles generated by freight train cars rose 16.7%. The average revenue received per ton-mile of freight was 2.110 cents compared with 2.208 cents in December 1977.

(In analyzing December 1978 statistics it should be noted that passenger revenues for Canadian National and Canadian Pacific were higher than normal due to receipts from VIA Rail for provision of services by them; passenger-related mileages, on the other hand, were lower because of VIA's takeover of the western portion of the two transcontinental passenger services at the end of October.)

During the year 1978, railway operating revenues for the "big six" increased 9.5% and operating expenses rose 9.8%. Net income at \$209.1 million was up 3.6% over 1977. Cumulative ton-miles increased 2.9% and passenger-miles showed a gain of 2.6%.

For further information, order the December issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Radio Broadcasting, February 1979 — Advance Information

Gross national AM and FM radio air-time sales were \$6.4 million in February, an increase of 6.7% from \$6.0 million in February 1978. Net national sales after deduction of agency and other commissions amounted to \$5.4 million, up 5.9% from \$5.1 million in the previous year.

Net local air-time sales rose 12.4% to \$16.3 million in February from \$14.5 million.

Gross radio air-time sales for January-February 1979 were \$44.3 million compared to \$41.2 million for the corresponding two months in 1978, an increase of 7.5%. Net sales rose 7.2% to \$41.3 million from \$38.5 million.

For further information, order the February issue of *Radio Broadcasting* (56-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, May 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the month of May 1979 was 1,568,537 short tons (1 422 953 t). Pig iron production totalled 1,087,385 short tons (986 459 t).

For further information, order the May issue of *Steel Ingots and Pig Iron* (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V3.

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- 31-203 (\$2.80) **Manufacturing Industries of Canada: National and Provincial Areas, 1976**
- 34-208 (70¢) **Man-made Fibre, Yarn and Cloth Mills, 1977**
- 52-001 (30¢/\$3) **Railway Carloadings, April 1979**
- 61-209 (\$1.40) **Credit Unions, 1977**

1977 Census of Manufactures — Selected Principal Statistics of the Manufacturing Industries of Canada, by Province*

Province	No. of Establishments	Manufacturing Activity							
		Production and related workers				Cost of fuel and elec- tricity	Cost of materials and sup- plies used	Value of shipments of goods of own manu- facture	Value added
		Number	Man- hours paid '000	Wages					
\$'000									
Newfoundland	232	12,243	26,598	146,168	29,497	341,143	697,466	343,672	
Prince Edward Island	104	1,756	3,792	16,263	2,902	84,676	130,374	42,016	
Nova Scotia	630	25,472	53,710	285,149	100,730	1,410,038	2,201,480	735,179	
New Brunswick	495	23,071	48,756	272,844	118,358	1,288,143	2,040,500	641,547	
Quebec	8,475	367,141	759,507	4,193,778	714,311	15,771,746	27,951,262	11,741,516	
Ontario	11,414	605,796	1,262,248	7,898,974	1,310,664	32,256,171	55,594,292	22,558,102	
Manitoba	1,125	37,150	75,770	419,072	72,709	1,653,317	2,840,894	1,128,698	
Saskatchewan	592	13,612	28,342	179,666	37,296	805,621	1,299,498	469,980	
Alberta	1,731	47,714	99,205	641,839	115,195	4,005,517	6,026,283	1,947,104	
British Columbia	2,899	107,937	219,061	1,757,801	288,004	5,356,749	10,058,453	4,498,873	
Yukon	4	22	49	313	39	1,092	2,951	1,573	
Northwest Territories	14	123	252	1,548	446	6,980	12,339	5,194	
Canada 1977	27,715	1,242,037	2,577,290	15,813,415	2,790,150	62,981,193	108,855,794	44,113,454	
Canada 1976	29,053	1,277,352	2,650,237	14,602,171	2,325,265	56,982,416	98,280,777	39,921,919	
Percentage Change	-4.6	-2.8	-2.8	8.3	20.0	10.5	10.8	10.5	

	Total Activity							
	Working owners and partners	Administrative, office and other non-manufactur- ing employees		Total employees Number	Salaries and wages	Total cost of materials, supplies and goods for re-sale	Total value of shipments and other revenue	Value added
		Number	Salaries \$'000					
\$'000								
Newfoundland	57	2,661	37,988	14,904	184,156	387,687	751,574	351,237
Prince Edward Island	28	495	5,808	2,251	22,071	99,557	148,228	44,989
Nova Scotia	133	8,819	133,083	34,291	418,233	1,645,835	2,478,269	776,170
New Brunswick	81	6,654	98,199	29,725	371,044	1,452,710	2,241,269	667,749
Quebec	1,666	132,840	2,160,854	499,981	6,354,632	18,627,190	31,389,769	12,324,579
Ontario	1,926	237,532	4,082,049	843,328	11,981,022	42,292,612	67,346,347	24,273,717
Manitoba	216	14,220	205,291	51,370	624,363	2,009,958	3,270,120	1,201,283
Saskatchewan	93	5,036	78,762	18,648	258,428	889,734	1,402,816	489,184
Alberta	206	19,920	326,594	67,634	968,432	4,404,514	6,506,686	2,028,510
British Columbia	448	34,162	649,688	142,099	2,407,488	5,912,164	10,719,059	4,604,064
Yukon	2	14	221	36	534	1,099	2,951	1,565
Northwest Territories	3	25	457	148	2,005	7,455	13,028	5,407
Canada 1977	4,859	462,378	7,778,995	1,704,415	23,592,410	77,730,516	126,270,115	46,778,453
Canada 1976	5,677	465,698	7,197,562	1,743,050	21,799,734	69,487,283	113,416,997	42,553,272
Percentage Change	-14.4	-0.7	8.1	-2.2	8.2	11.9	11.3	9.9

* Preliminary figures.

Census of Manufactures, 1977 — Advance Information
Preliminary figures from the 1977 Census of Manufactures show that 27,715 establishments reported shipments of goods of their own manufacture valued at \$108,856 million, up 10.8% from a restated \$98,281 million in 1976. The value of total shipments plus other revenues for these establishments was reported at \$126,270 million, an increase of 11.3% over the 1976 total of \$113,417 million.

As employers, these manufacturers provided work for 1.70 million people, down 2.2% from 1.74 million in 1976. They paid out a total of \$23,592 million in salaries and wages, up 8.2% from \$21,800 million the previous year.

The accompanying tables show selected principal statistics broken down by province for all industries, and by major industry group for all Canada.

For further information, contact R. Staveley (613-996-4991), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. Complete data will be published later in *Manufacturing Industries of Canada: National and Provincial Areas, 1977* (31-203).

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**1977 Census of Manufactures — Selected Principal Statistics
of the Manufacturing Industries of Canada, by Major Group***

Major Group	No. of Establishments	Manufacturing Activity						
		Production and related workers			Cost of fuel and electricity	Cost of materials and supplies used	Value of shipments of goods of own manufacture	Value added
		Number	Man-hours paid '000	Wages				
					\$'000			
Food and Beverage Ind.	4,211	148,303	309,849	1,773,895	269,464	12,619,981	18,871,720	6,086,110
Tobacco Products Ind.	24	5,941	10,784	86,512	5,054	508,198	945,584	429,216
Rubber and Plastics Products Ind.	755	41,743	85,638	463,551	54,179	1,299,280	2,532,361	1,242,668
Leather Industries	378	19,956	41,214	169,118	6,295	354,266	692,202	342,328
Textile Industries	831	51,601	106,974	513,765	68,653	1,639,940	2,955,433	1,273,295
Knitting Mills	266	18,228	37,538	148,040	7,231	335,182	637,937	296,569
Clothing Industries	1,837	83,819	165,392	669,066	10,048	1,356,123	2,662,395	1,310,030
Wood Industries	2,542	92,300	192,273	1,272,156	130,361	3,161,240	5,952,465	2,726,037
Furniture and Fixture Ind.	1,678	36,434	77,381	357,945	15,365	687,878	1,456,511	756,926
Paper and Allied Ind.	647	94,244	195,940	1,490,167	696,839	4,238,375	8,937,685	4,003,912
Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries	3,301	52,970	104,695	696,409	22,461	1,252,687	3,512,897	2,253,710
Primary Metal Industries	382	91,683	188,723	1,399,344	462,746	4,220,785	8,201,473	3,610,906
Metal Fabricating Ind.	3,799	112,662	236,544	1,458,429	88,893	3,604,941	7,232,181	3,556,645
Machinery Industries	1,099	58,024	119,485	769,547	40,554	2,205,319	4,159,762	1,945,394
Transportation Equipment Ind.	905	126,496	273,679	1,945,069	121,828	10,336,774	15,064,813	4,848,053
Electrical Products Ind.	781	71,672	147,321	838,260	47,109	2,285,014	4,860,023	2,558,905
Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries	1,131	39,321	83,436	564,443	247,505	1,158,430	2,990,944	1,605,526
Petroleum and Coal Products Ind.	103	7,696	16,253	146,566	88,234	7,364,002	8,532,666	1,272,678
Chemical and Chemical Products Industries	1,027	43,996	92,252	615,624	385,564	3,284,271	6,431,471	2,828,781
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Ind.	2,018	44,948	91,921	435,506	21,768	1,068,506	2,225,270	1,165,766
Total	27,715	1,242,037	2,577,290	15,813,415	2,790,150	62,981,193	108,855,794	44,113,454
Major Group	Total Activity							
	Working owners and partners	Administrative, office and other non-manufacturing employees		Total employees	Total cost of materials, supplies and goods for re-sale	Total value of shipments and other revenue	Value added	
		Number	Salaries \$'000					Salaries and wages
	\$'000							
Food and Beverage Ind.	1,177	74,555	1,115,699	222,858	2,889,594	14,884,235	21,599,027	6,549,162
Tobacco Products Ind.	1	2,992	52,464	8,933	138,976	521,519	962,595	432,906
Rubber and Plastics Products Ind.	29	13,956	218,291	55,699	681,842	1,599,253	2,913,344	1,323,679
Leather Industries	37	3,500	50,580	23,456	219,698	421,448	771,907	354,851
Textile Industries	152	13,907	213,903	65,508	727,668	1,809,992	3,154,943	1,302,753
Knitting Mills	9	2,400	38,193	20,628	186,233	348,544	652,235	297,504
Clothing Industries	320	11,120	180,689	94,939	849,755	1,496,762	2,853,885	1,360,881
Wood Industries	706	16,360	285,734	108,660	1,557,889	3,344,889	6,171,873	2,761,795
Furniture and Fixture Ind.	660	7,217	109,455	43,651	467,400	742,821	1,519,109	764,582
Paper and Allied Ind.	10	30,219	590,002	124,463	2,080,169	4,635,235	9,362,469	4,031,835
Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries	623	38,790	557,174	91,760	1,253,583	1,349,712	3,639,159	2,282,946
Primary Metal Industries	20	27,536	546,063	119,219	1,945,347	5,106,933	9,130,712	3,653,998
Metal Fabricating Ind.	415	34,073	576,771	146,735	2,035,290	4,166,877	7,936,455	3,698,983
Machinery Industries	47	29,633	469,064	87,657	1,208,612	2,808,140	5,057,151	2,239,962
Transportation Equipment Ind.	65	38,721	726,726	85,281	2,571,795	16,674,187	22,022,135	5,466,963
Electrical Products Ind.	16	39,141	646,378	110,813	1,484,638	3,098,585	5,950,294	2,835,605
Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries	114	13,197	229,985	52,518	794,428	1,445,743	3,325,582	1,652,852
Petroleum and Coal Products Ind.	0	10,153	228,531	17,849	375,098	7,653,832	8,837,763	1,287,945
Chemical and Chemical Products Industries	26	37,809	673,806	81,805	1,289,431	4,250,333	7,704,011	3,135,259
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Ind.	422	17,029	269,546	61,977	795,052	1,370,476	2,705,466	1,343,992
Total	4,859	462,378	7,778,995	1,794,415	23,592,410	77,730,516	126,270,115	46,778,453

*Preliminary figures.

Selected Principal Statistics for Paint and Varnish Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3750		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	130	136	5
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,046	3,780	-7
Man-hours paid	000's	7,913	7,378	-7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	43,948	47,040	7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,508	3,899	11
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	278,320	285,884	3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	497,398	534,219	7
Value added	\$000	222,443	249,469	12
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	7,923	7,865	-1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	97,998	108,088	10
Total value added	\$000	256,860	284,465	11

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Paint and Varnish Manufacturers*, 1977 (46-210, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Hardware, Tool and Cutlery Manufacturers

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3060		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	614	576	-6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	15,501	14,120	-9
Man-hours paid	000's	32,746	30,194	-8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	162,132	172,644	6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	6,285	7,505	19
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	225,914	235,131	4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	579,197	638,624	10
Value added	\$000	355,691	403,298	13
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	19,316	17,867	-8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	217,664	232,755	7
Total value added	\$000	376,274	422,820	12

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Hardware, Tool and Cutlery Manufacturers*, 1977 (41-208, 70¢).

Electric Power Statistics, March 1979 — Advance Information

Net generation of electricity increased to 31.5 TW.h in March from 30.8 TW.h a year earlier. Hydro generation rose 4.9%, while thermal production decreased 3.0%.

Total generation for the first three months of 1979 reached 98.1 TW.h, an increase of 3.9% from the January-March period in 1978.

For further information, order the March issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Oil Pipeline Transport, March 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian oil pipe lines received 435 500 cubic metres a day of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in March, up 13.4% from 383 900 m3D a year earlier. Receipts of domestic petroleum and products increased 16.3% to 391 200 m3D, while those of imported petroleum and products decreased 7.1% to 44 300 m3D.

For further information, order the March issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact George Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended June 9, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended June 9 was 351,805 short tons (319 152 t), a decrease of 2.2% from the preceding week's total of 359,701 short tons (326 315 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 305,101 short tons (276 783 t).

The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 192.0 in the current week, 196.3 a week earlier and 166.5 a year earlier.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

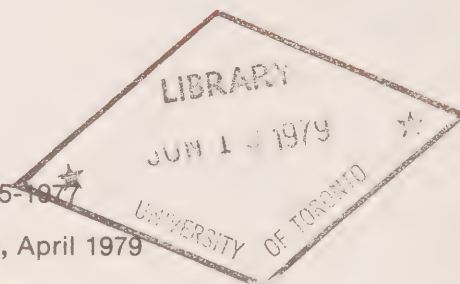
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Retail Trade, All Stores, by Province and Selected Metropolitan Areas

April 1979 — Advance Information

	Unadjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
	Sales All Stores			Sales All Stores		
	Apr. 1979p	Mar. 1979r	Apr. 79/ Apr. 78	Apr. 1979p	Mar. 1979r	Apr. 79/ Mar. 79
	(\$ millions)		%	(\$ millions)		%
Newfoundland	111.1	113.7	8.6	115.3	120.4	-4.2
Prince Edward Island	28.3	26.6	9.9	30.8	29.9	3.2
Nova Scotia	202.0	202.2	14.6	208.4	211.1	-1.3
New Brunswick	158.2	156.0	15.9	163.6	166.1	-1.5
Quebec	1,584.2	1,643.6	13.8	1,597.1	1,680.9	-5.0
Ontario	2,121.7	2,161.2	6.4	2,184.4	2,293.3	-4.7
Manitoba	233.7	226.3	5.1	239.7	236.8	1.2
Saskatchewan	245.8	247.6	6.4	249.9	260.6	-4.1
Alberta	616.3	628.7	14.5	648.3	648.4	—
British Columbia	703.8	708.6	8.2	738.8	729.6	1.3
Yukon and Northwest Territories	14.2	16.3	-0.3	15.0	16.9	-11.2
Canada	6,019.3	6,130.7	9.8	6,176.1	6,408.2	-3.6
Montreal	734.8	780.5	10.5	—	—	—
Toronto	753.6	785.6	5.3	—	—	—
Winnipeg	144.3	139.6	2.3	—	—	—
Vancouver	352.1	362.6	7.0	—	—	—

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Retail Trade, April 1979 — Advance Information

Seasonally-adjusted retail sales for April were \$6,176.1 million, a decrease of 3.6% from \$6,408.2 million in March. Sales were higher in 11 of the 28 trade groups. The largest increases were registered by all other food stores (+10.0%) and florists (+7.9%) while household furniture stores (-25.1%), furniture, TV, radio and appliance stores (-15.9%) and garages (-12.2%) had the largest decreases. Only Prince Edward Island (+3.2%), Manitoba (+1.2%) and British Columbia (+1.3%) showed increased sales over March; all other provinces reported decreases ranging from 5.0% for Quebec to a fractional decrease for Alberta.

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment reached \$6,019.3 million, an increase of 9.8% over April 1978. Sales increased in all trade groups except specialty shoe stores (-7.2%). The largest increases were recorded by florists (+28.5%), used car dealers (+24.5%) and automotive parts and accessories stores (+17.3%). All provinces reported increased sales over April 1978, ranging from 15.9% for New Brunswick to 5.1% for Manitoba. Montreal sales rose 10.5%; Toronto, 5.3%; Winnipeg, 2.3%; and Vancouver, 7.0%.

Revised total retail trade, without seasonal adjustment, for March 1979 was \$6,130.7 million, up 15.9% from March 1978.

For further information, order the April issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

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Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber, April 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian production of rubber increased to 54,254,000 pounds (24 610 000 kg) in April 1979 from 48,735,000 pounds (22 107 000 kg) a year earlier. Consumption* of rubber in April 1979 was 58,848,000 pounds (26 693 000 kg).

* Users of these data should note that there has been a change in methodology, commencing with January 1979 statistics.

For further information, order the April issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Elliot (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Retail Trade, Canada, by Kind of Business

April 1979 — Advance Information

Kind of Business	Unadjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
	Sales All Stores		Apr. 79/ Apr. 78	Sales All Stores		Apr. 79/ Mar. 79
	Apr. 1979p	Mar. 1979r		Apr. 1979p	Mar. 1979r	
	(\$ millions)		%	(\$ millions)		%
Combination stores (groceries and meat)	1,117.3	1,220.7	7.3	1,183.0	1,150.3	2.8
Grocery, confectionery and sundries stores	289.2	293.6	12.3	302.9	306.9	-1.3
All other food stores	106.3	102.9	14.0	111.6	101.4	10.0
Department stores	606.3	609.7	7.8	676.1	690.0	-2.0
General merchandise stores	130.3	136.0	3.1	141.6	153.3	-7.6
General stores	109.2	109.7	9.4	120.7	120.3	0.3
Variety stores	71.1	69.0	8.3	80.7	79.6	1.4
Motor vehicle dealers	1,414.5	1,372.6	12.3	1,201.7	1,358.5	-11.5
Used car dealers	27.5	26.7	24.5	24.7	23.9	3.5
Service stations	390.1	390.2	11.8	406.7	418.9	-2.9
Garages	84.4	90.9	10.6	85.4	97.3	-12.2
Automotive parts and accessories stores	126.0	104.0	17.3	126.2	135.1	-6.6
Men's clothing stores	64.1	64.0	8.9	72.1	76.6	-5.9
Women's clothing stores	99.4	104.4	2.2	107.3	115.6	-7.2
Family clothing stores	77.2	75.5	13.1	87.4	87.1	0.3
Specialty shoe stores	6.4	6.1	-7.2	7.2	7.2	0.6
Family shoe stores	51.7	48.9	5.7	52.6	59.2	-11.2
Hardware stores	53.4	47.6	5.0	59.5	62.5	-4.7
Household furniture stores	88.5	115.5	4.8	93.0	124.2	-25.1
Household appliance stores	19.9	22.5	7.2	22.7	24.0	-5.7
Furniture, TV, radio and appliance stores	42.5	49.2	11.1	46.5	55.3	-15.9
Pharmacies, patent medicine and cosmetics stores	182.6	188.8	15.6	192.2	189.0	1.7
Book and stationery stores	25.1	27.5	14.3	30.3	29.0	4.6
Florists	25.6	20.0	28.5	24.1	22.3	7.9
Jewellery stores	42.5	39.0	14.5	53.5	53.7	-0.3
Sporting goods and accessories stores	68.4	62.8	6.8	68.1	76.5	-11.1
Personal accessories stores	74.5	74.6	3.0	84.3	81.5	3.4
All other stores	625.5	658.5	8.1	694.6	716.5	-3.0
Total, all stores	6,019.3	6,130.7	9.8	6,176.1	6,408.2	-3.6

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Production and Stocks of Eggs and Poultry, April 1979
— Advance Information

Canadian egg production decreased by 3.6% to 36.9 million dozen in April from 38.2 million dozen a year earlier. The average number of layers was down 1.3% to 23.4 million from 23.7 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers decreased 2.3% to 1,895 from 1,939.

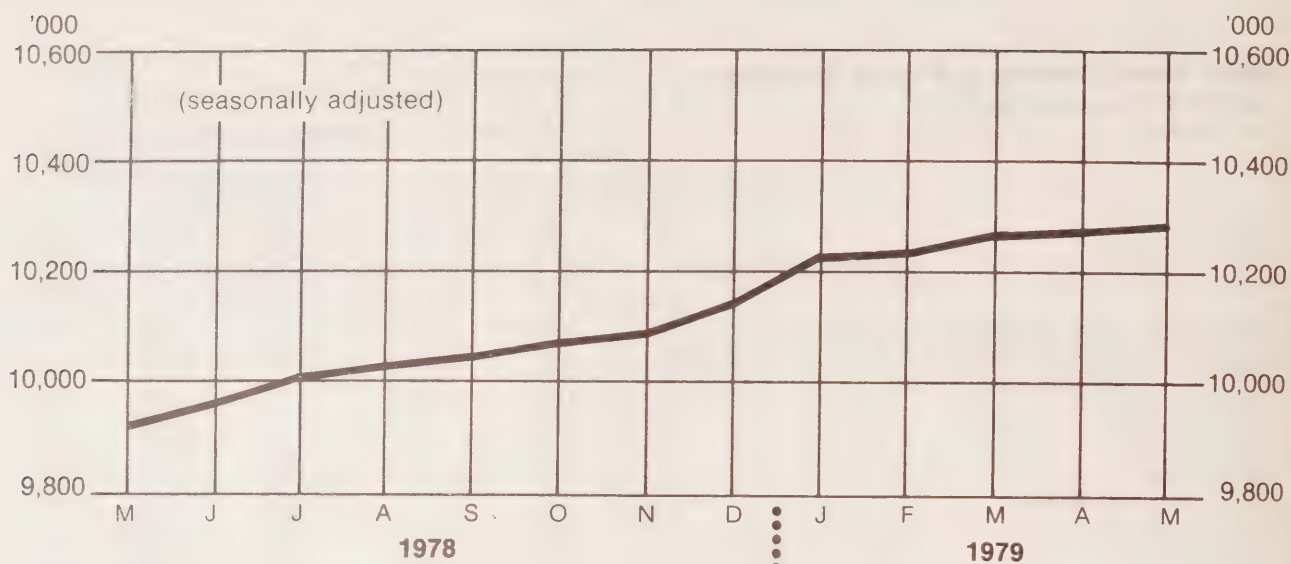
For further information, order the April issue of *Production and Stocks of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4853), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Construction Type Plywood, April 1979 — Advance Information

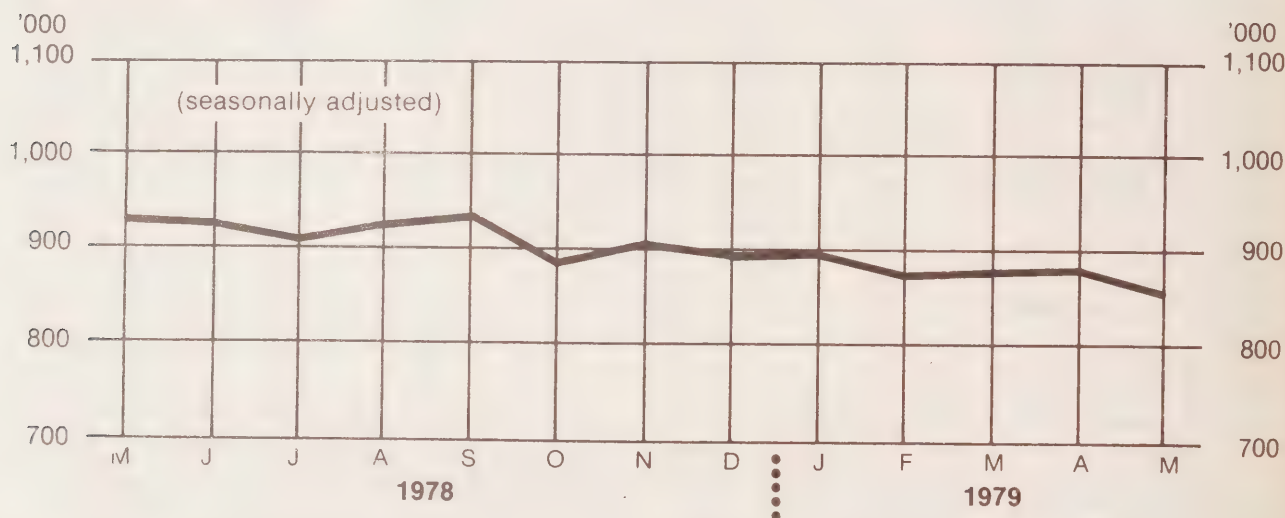
Canadian mills shipped 258,113,000 square feet (228 405 m³) 3/8" (9.525 mm) basis of construction-type plywood in the month of April.

For further information, contact P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6, or order the April issue of *Construction Type Plywood* (35-001, 30¢/\$3).

Employment, Canada



Unemployment, Canada



Labour Force Survey, May 1979

Canada's seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate decreased to 7.7% in May from 7.9% in April. The rate in May 1978 was 8.5%. The seasonally-adjusted participation rate was 63.1% in May, down from 63.3% in the preceding month. The employment/population ratio remained at 58.3%, unchanged from April.

Last month, the seasonally-adjusted employment level was 10,286,000, up by 13,000 from April. The level increased by 11,000 for men aged 15 to 24, by 9,000 for women 15-24 and by 10,000 for men 25 and over. The level decreased 17,000 for women 25 and over.

Unemployment, seasonally adjusted, totalled 833,000 in May, down by 27,000 from April. The level decreased by 12,000 for men 15-24, by 8,000 for women 15-24 and by 6,000 for women 25 and over. The level showed little change for men 25 years of age and over.

Seasonally-adjusted May unemployment rates for the provinces, with April rates in brackets: Newfoundland, 16.4% (15.7%); Prince Edward Island, 11.4% (12.4%); Nova Scotia, 9.4% (10.8%); New Brunswick, 11.0% (12.1%); Quebec, 9.8% (10.2%); Ontario, 6.6%

(6.7%); Manitoba, 6.1% (6.3%); Saskatchewan, 4.4% (4.2%); Alberta, 4.1% (4.3%); and British Columbia, 8.3% (8.2%).

Without seasonal adjustment, the May labour force totalled 11,200,000 with 10,363,000 employed and 836,000 unemployed for an unemployment rate of 7.5%. In April, the labour force was 10,947,000 with 10,004,000 employed and 943,000 unemployed for a rate of 8.6%. In May 1978, the labour force numbered 10,914,000 with 9,994,000 employed and 920,000 unemployed for a rate of 8.4%.

For further information, order the May issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Pigments and Dry Colours

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3781		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	19	16	-16
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	977	1,030	5
Man-hours paid	000's	2,091	2,102	1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	13,386	16,338	22
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	7,035	9,230	31
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	61,992	68,260	10
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	132,460	153,248	16
Value added	\$000	68,621	74,695	9
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,585	1,522	-4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	24,541	24,922	2
Total value added	\$000	73,539	77,044	5

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Industrial Chemicals, 1977* (46-219, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Industrial Chemicals (Organic)

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3783		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	35	38	9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	5,649	6,159	9
Man-hours paid	000's	11,908	13,304	12
Manufacturing wages	\$000	90,264	110,311	22
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	111,752	142,786	28
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	616,029	834,177	35
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	1,180,698	1,391,123	18
Value added	\$000	456,804	451,186	-1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	10,714	11,796	10
Total salaries and wages	\$000	191,887	244,774	28
Total value added	\$000	491,681	521,189	6

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Industrial Chemicals, 1977* (46-219, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Industrial Chemicals (Inorganic)

1976 and 1977 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3782		1976	1977	% Change
Establishments	No.	89	87	-2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	6,239	6,456	3
Man-hours paid	000's	13,319	14,183	6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	101,690	117,339	15
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	150,482	172,447	15
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	366,034	432,400	18
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	908,328	1,021,514	12
Value added	\$000	399,950	422,875	6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	9,502	10,369	9
Total salaries and wages	\$000	157,840	197,636	25
Total value added	\$000	411,680	462,437	12

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Industrial Chemicals, 1977* (46-219, 70¢).

Expectation of Life at Birth, Canada and Provinces

1975-1977

Province	1970-1972	1975-1977	% Change	1970-1972	1975-1977	% Change
	Males			Females		
Canada	69.34	70.19	1.2	76.36	77.48	1.5
Newfoundland	69.28	70.58	1.9	75.72	77.38	2.2
Nova Scotia	68.66	69.45	1.2	75.97	77.81	2.4
New Brunswick	69.07	69.73	1.0	76.41	77.74	1.7
Quebec**	68.28	69.06	1.1	75.25	76.52	1.7
Ontario	69.55	70.55	1.4	76.76	77.66	1.2
Manitoba	70.16	70.65	0.7	76.93	77.87	1.2
Saskatchewan	71.05	71.13	0.1	77.59	78.64	1.4
Alberta	70.42	71.07	0.9	77.30	77.92	0.8
British Columbia	69.85	70.95	1.6	76.69	78.40	2.2
Prince Edward Island*	69.30	69.19	-0.2	77.35	78.21	1.1

* Based on Abridged Life Table.

** Births and infant deaths adjusted for 1975 and 1976.

Life Tables, Canada and the Provinces, 1975-1977 — Advance Information

The expectation of life at birth for Canadian males and females is 70.19 and 77.48 years, respectively, according to the latest life tables for Canada and the provinces for the years 1975-1977. This represents an increase of 1.2% for males and 1.5% for females from those recorded for the years 1970-1972.

The life tables have been produced on the basis of mortality experience for the three years 1975-1977 and the census population as of June 1, 1976. The figures for Prince Edward Island only are based on abridged life tables; detailed life tables were not produced for this province due to the smallness of the required frequencies involved.

The complete set of tables will be published in the forthcoming publication *Life Tables, Canada and Provinces, 1975-1977* (catalogue 84-532). For further information, contact D. Nagnur (613-995-9593), Demographer, Vital Statistics and Disease Registries Section, Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

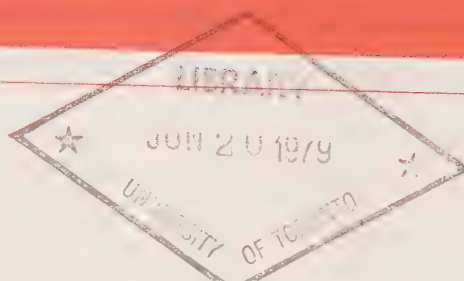
Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes, April 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 6,852,741 phonograph records in April, up from 6,506,195 in April 1978. Production of pre-recorded tapes (8-track cartridges and cassettes only) increased to 1,429,578 from 1,266,661.

For further information, order the April issue of *Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada* (47-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact G. Elliot (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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- 23-001 (40¢/\$4) **The Dairy Review, April 1979**
- 26-205 (70¢) **Asbestos Mines, 1977**
- 26-210 (70¢) **Iron Mines, 1977**
- 26-221 (70¢) **Gypsum Mines, 1977**
- 32-208 (70¢) **Soft Drink Manufacturers, 1977**
- 32-218 (70¢) **Fruit and Vegetable Processing Industries, 1977**
- 35-002 (30¢/\$3) **Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, March 1979**
- 36-207 (70¢) **Paper and Plastic Bag Manufacturers, 1977**
- 41-001 (40¢/\$4) **Primary Iron and Steel, March 1979**
- 45-208 (70¢) **Refined Petroleum Products — Consumption of Petroleum Products, 1977**

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61-005 (40¢/\$4) Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry, March 1979

62-001 (30¢/\$3) Consumer Price Index, May 1979 — Available Friday, June 15, 1979, at 7 a.m.

62-011 (55¢/\$5.50) Industry Price Indexes, March 1979

68-209 (\$2.10) Provincial Government Finance — Assets, Liabilities, Sources and Uses of Funds, 1975-76 and 1976-77 Preliminary

83-217 (35¢) Hospital Statistics — Preliminary Annual Report, 1977-78

Financial Statistics of Public General and Allied Special Hospitals, by Province and Canada
1977-78

Province	Number of Hospitals	Total Operating Expenses	Operating Expense per Patient-day	Gross Salaries per Patient-Day	Operating Expense per Capita
		\$'000	\$	\$	\$
Newfoundland	47	127,464	162.27	109.41	226.04
Prince Edward Island	10	21,378	102.47	69.90	177.85
Nova Scotia	47	196,683	146.80	98.63	235.52
New Brunswick	35	161,062	129.03	86.03	234.44
Quebec	192	1,911,581	132.11	96.61	304.48
Ontario	233	2,170,514	148.43	103.76	259.81
Manitoba	80	252,769	139.45	96.91	245.65
Saskatchewan	136	218,545	103.32	71.28	233.26
Alberta	146	472,384	120.71	86.45	249.20
British Columbia	120	621,265	113.98	85.54	249.15
Canada*	1,049	6,159,764	133.90	95.43	264.85

* Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories.

Preliminary Annual Hospital Statistics for Canada and Provinces, 1977-78 Fiscal Year — Advance Information

Preliminary statistics for 1977-78 show that cost per patient-day in public general hospitals at \$151.87 increased by 8.4% from 1976-77. In the latest year, the cost of medical and surgical supplies increased by 14.2% while gross salaries increased by 7.0%. Percentage occupancy was up by 1.2%.

For further information, order the 1977-78 issue of *Hospital Statistics, Preliminary Annual Report* (83-217, 35¢), or contact Louis de G. Fournier or Francis Umenyi (613-995-9551), Institutional Statistics Section, Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Production and Stocks of Eggs and Poultry, April 1979 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of frozen poultry products at June 1 amounted to 73.5 million pounds compared with last year's corresponding total of 48.3 million pounds.

For further information, order the April issue of *Production and Stocks of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Pulpwood and Wood Residue, April 1979 — Advance Information

Roundwood production increased by 23.4% to 850,134 cunits (2 407 306 m3) in April 1979 from 689,143 cunits (1 951 433 m3) a year earlier. Receipts of wood residue increased by 14.3% to 1,224,558 cunits (3 467 558 m3) from 1,071,178 cunits (3 033 235 m3).

Consumption of roundwood and wood residue increased by 2.7% to 2,512,704 cunits (7 115 174 m3) in April from 2,445,526 cunits (6 924 947 m3) and the closing inventory of these two products decreased by 5.0% to 8,423,249 cunits (23 851 945 m3) from 8,868,398 cunits (25 112 466 m3).

For further information, order the April issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Colin Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Checkstand Sacks by Canadian Manufacturers

	Eastern Canada		Western Canada		Canada Total	
	April 1978	April 1979	April 1978	April 1979	April 1978	April 1979
(thousands of bags)						
Standard Grocery Bags						
Size						
1/4 and 1/2	2,892	4,002	1,665	*	4,557	4,002
1	} 7,996	10,816	4,283	2,094	5,692	4,754
2					6,587	8,156
3 and 4	10,696	12,085	2,911	5,033	13,607	17,118
5	20,712	25,501	5,254	3,075	25,966	28,576
6	5,020	5,317	4,945	2,837	9,965	8,154
7	} 9,318	16,032	7,182	9,077	4,595	4,882
8					11,905	20,227
10	15,101	18,151	4,674	3,259	19,775	21,410
12	5,986	8,163	2,476	4,134	8,462	12,297
14	9,382	10,334	4,521	5,055	13,903	15,389
20	19,419	22,317	8,424	7,695	27,843	30,012
Total	106,522	132,718	46,335	42,259	152,857	174,977
Checkstand Sacks						
No. 1	7,021	11,874	5,633	4,325	12,654	16,199
No. 2	12,551	12,538	—	—	12,551	12,538
No. 3	34,639	46,912	28,780	22,487	63,419	69,399
Nos. 4 and 5	1,495	4,759	—	—	1,495	4,759
Total	55,706	76,083	34,413	26,812	90,119	102,895

* Confidential: Included with sizes 1 and 2.

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Checkstand Sacks by Canadian Manufacturers

	Eastern Canada		Western Canada		Canada Total	
	First 4 Months 1978	1979	First 4 Months 1978	1979	First 4 Months 1978	1979
(thousands of bags)						
Standard Grocery Bags						
Size						
1/4 and 1/2	12,255	15,000	8,796	*	21,051	15,000
1	} 38,845	39,089	17,303	16,555	19,813	20,835
2					36,335	34,809
3 and 4	47,537	44,442	16,913	26,789	64,450	71,231
5	97,546	100,454	21,039	19,159	118,585	119,613
6	20,980	20,671	17,460	18,759	38,440	39,430
7	} 50,744	53,295	28,592	48,431	20,408	16,873
8					58,928	84,853
10	73,659	71,062	17,565	19,448	91,224	90,510
12	24,154	26,509	12,026	21,327	36,180	47,836
14	45,514	39,754	20,914	25,999	66,428	65,753
20	99,510	84,960	39,188	36,921	129,698	121,881
Total	510,744	495,236	190,796	233,388	701,540	728,624
Checkstand Sacks						
No. 1	44,003	42,987	22,667	28,823	66,670	71,810
No. 2	54,993	45,007	—	—	54,993	45,007
No. 3	136,073	170,436	101,150	142,277	237,223	312,713
Nos. 4 and 5	9,430	13,628	—	—	9,430	13,628
Total	244,499	272,058	123,817	171,100	368,316	443,158

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Guide to Urban Data

In recent years an increasing number of tables containing subprovincial statistics from non-census sources have appeared in Statistics Canada publications. Newcomers to urban and regional research may well have been perplexed by the wide variety of geographic and subject-matter concepts, territorial units, data sources, and other features of published small-area statistics.

A new publication released today, *Guide to Urban Data (Excluding Census Data)*, 1971 (Catalogue 12-558, \$4.50) provides information on table headings, concepts and sources of statistics in all non-census publications at or near the last decennial Census year, 1971. Statistics are presented for the Ottawa region (as an example), and the place names of other municipalities or metropolitan areas to be found in the original publications are listed below. The last section contains a place name index enabling reference to the published information of specific Canadian municipalities.

Copies of the publication are available from Publications Distribution, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. Enquiries should be directed to Frank Jones (613-992-8571), Chief, Regional and Urban Statistics Section, Office of the Senior Adviser on Integration, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

12-558 (\$4.50) Guide to Urban Data (Excluding Census Data), 1971

22-002E (\$5.60 for series of 20) Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 8, June Intentions of Specified Crop and Summerfallow Area, Prairie Provinces — Available June 15, 1979, at 3 p.m.

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22-007 (40¢/\$4) Grains and Oilseeds Review, April 1979

43-002 (15¢/\$1.50) Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, April 1979

61-001 (30¢/\$3) Cheques Cashed, April 1979

63-011 (15¢/\$1.50) Restaurant Statistics, April 1979

71-001 (55¢/\$5.50) The Labour Force, May 1979

Service Bulletin:

54-003 (\$1.40 per year) Water Transport, Vol. 9, No. 5, Preliminary Port Activity Statistics, 1978

Financial Institutions

First Quarter 1979 — Advance Information

	1st Quarter 1979	Change From Same Period a Year Earlier	Amount Change from 4th Quarter 1978
	\$'000	Amount \$'000 %	\$'000
Trust Companies			
Mortgages	21,204,004	3,416,924 16.1	657,165
Total assets	29,314,151	4,637,224 15.8	1,323,642
Demand deposits	3,756,979	276,144 7.4	-50,264
Term deposits	21,741,941	3,892,421 17.9	1,198,461
Mortgage Companies			
Mortgages	8,525,771	884,850 10.4	307,817
Total assets	10,604,266	1,269,117 12.0	396,422
Demand deposits	447,357	23,369 5.2	-27,470
Term deposits	6,108,582	659,033 10.8	220,046
Real Estate Investment Trusts			
Mortgages	998,330	78,395 7.9	10,308
Total assets	1,799,524	48,063 2.7	21,570
Financial Corporations			
Retail sales financing:			
Industrial & Commercial	2,649,477	346,525 15.0	36,527
Consumer	2,653,981	313,313 13.4	-51,679
Wholesale Financing	2,619,621	213,392 8.8	496,768
Loans Under Small Loans Act	174,059	-21,455 -10.9	-9,634
Other Personal Loans	1,513,612	-4,000 -0.3	-34,385
Total Assets	13,431,528	1,399,588 11.6	624,627
Finance Leasing Corporations			
Lease contracts	902,316	174,581 22.6	52,779
Total assets	1,342,031	303,783 23.4	99,269
Investment Funds (Cost)			
Canadian Preferred Shares	61,342	8,797 17.2	2,127
Canadian common shares	851,020	-231,681 -24.2	-61,522
Foreign Preferred & Common Shares	476,779	90,072 27.3	16,036
Total Assets	3,728,078	237,162 7.3	95,836
Total Portfolio:			
Cost	3,590,484	236,551 7.6	103,172
Market	4,018,824	741,954 22.6	266,411
Closed-End Funds (Cost)			
Canadian Common Shares	391,002	52,192 13.3	-28,335
Total Portfolio:			
Cost	586,336	90,666 15.5	2,779
Market	946,293	216,267 22.9	65,351
Property & Casualty Insurance Cos.			
Net Premiums Earned	1,127,112	8,489 0.7	-104,157
Underwriting Gains	-51,665	-68,490	26,243
Total assets	9,535,297	912,770 10.8	10,595

Further information will be contained in the Statistics Canada publication *Financial Institutions, Financial Statistics*, first quarter 1979 (61-006, \$1.40/\$5.60).

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory Services staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island by telephoning 1-800-565-7192. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Restaurants, Caterers and Taverns, 1977 — Advance Information

In 1977, restaurants, caterers and tavern establishments reported total sales of \$5,953,942,000, an increase of 10.1% over the revised 1976 figure of \$5,409,495,000.

Sales by province for 1977 were as follows:

- Ontario, \$2,115,243,000
- Quebec, \$1,692,822,000
- British Columbia, \$760,370,000
- Alberta, \$539,091,000
- Manitoba, \$242,085,000
- Saskatchewan, \$179,620,000
- Nova Scotia, \$164,590,000
- New Brunswick, \$122,014,000
- Newfoundland, \$101,259,000
- Prince Edward Island, \$22,010,000
- Yukon and Northwest Territories, \$14,838,000

For further information, contact the Service Trades Section (613-996-9301), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Farm Net Income, 1978 (Preliminary) — Advance Information

Revised data on farm net income for 1978 are now available. Further details will follow in Monday's Daily.

For further information, contact Mike Trant (613-995-4895), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

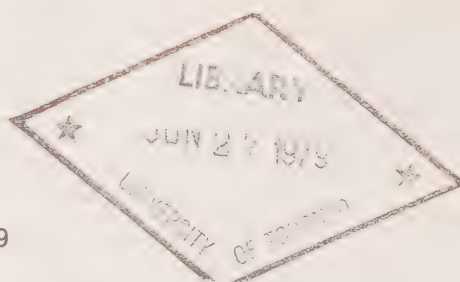
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- 11-003E (70¢/\$7) Canadian Statistical Review, May 1979**
- 26-208 (70¢) Feldspar and Quartz Mines, 1977**
- 34-210 (\$1.05) Miscellaneous Textile Industries, 1977**
- 35-211 (70¢) Household Furniture Manufacturers, 1977**
- 41-002 (15¢/\$1.50) Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, May 1979**
- 41-011 (30¢/\$3) Production and Shipments of Steel, Pipe, Tubing and Fittings, April 1979**
- 51-001 (40¢/\$4) Transcontinental and Regional Air Carrier Operations, December 1978**
- 51-003 (\$1.05/\$4.20) International Air Charter Statistics, October-December 1978**
- 53-003 (15¢/\$1.50) Urban Transit, April 1979**
- 56-002 (15¢/\$1.50) Telephone Statistics, April 1979**
- 63-208 (\$1.05) New Motor Vehicle Sales, 1978**
- 64-001 (70¢/\$7) Building Permits, February 1979**

Income of Farm Operators from Farming Operations

1977 and 1978

	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick (\$000)	Quebec	Ontario
1977 (revised)					
1. Cash receipts	89,109	132,886	109,867	1,425,749	2,863,514
2. Income in kind(1)	2,224	3,930	3,014	48,573	46,473
3. Supplementary payments	—	—	—	—	—
4. Realized gross income(2)	91,333	136,816	112,881	1,474,322	2,909,987
5. Operating and depreciation charges	71,460	95,482	84,201	1,094,262	2,188,724
6. Realized net income(3)	19,873	41,334	28,680	380,060	721,263
7. Value of inventory changes	2,218	-283	-215	11,449	80,701
8. Total gross income(4)	93,551	136,533	112,666	1,485,771	2,990,688
9. Total net income(5)	22,091	41,051	28,465	391,509	801,964
1978 (preliminary)					
1. Cash receipts	99,537	151,665	122,285	1,649,913	3,363,884
2. Income in kind(1)	2,351	4,305	2,989	58,243	52,862
3. Supplementary payments	—	—	—	—	—
4. Realized gross income(2)	101,888	155,970	125,274	1,708,156	3,416,746
5. Operating and depreciation charges	81,878	104,804	93,856	1,230,373	2,582,383
6. Realized net income(3)	20,010	51,166	31,418	477,783	834,363
7. Value of inventory changes	4,011	-370	211	13,332	-35,927
8. Total gross income(4)	105,899	155,600	125,485	1,721,488	3,380,819
9. Total net income(5)	24,021	50,796	31,629	491,115	798,436
	Manitoba	Saskat- chewan	Alberta (\$000)	British Columbia	Canada*
1977 (revised)					
1. Cash receipts	889,765	2,136,551	1,951,448	515,746	10,114,635
2. Income in kind(1)	12,672	23,774	23,473	9,733	173,866
3. Supplementary payments	—	—	—	—	—
4. Realized gross income(2)	902,437	2,160,325	1,974,921	525,479	10,288,501
5. Operating and depreciation charges	719,309	1,367,349	1,522,467	412,323	7,555,577
6. Realized net income(3)	183,128	792,976	452,454	113,156	2,732,924
7. Value of inventory changes	119,878	60,695	-73,948	6,466	206,961
8. Total gross income(4)	1,022,315	2,221,020	1,900,973	531,945	10,495,462
9. Total net income(5)	303,006	853,671	378,506	119,622	2,939,885
1978 (preliminary)					
1. Cash receipts	1,104,833	2,471,765	2,284,357	561,821	11,810,060
2. Income in kind(1)	14,997	27,826	26,787	11,287	201,647
3. Supplementary payments	—	—	—	—	—
4. Realized gross income(2)	1,119,830	2,499,591	2,311,144	573,108	12,011,707
5. Operating and depreciation charges	797,877	1,614,970	1,730,465	457,022	8,693,628
6. Realized net income(3)	321,953	884,621	580,679	116,086	3,318,079
7. Value of inventory changes	86,752	81,970	68,688	-237	218,430
8. Total gross income(4)	1,206,582	2,581,561	2,379,832	572,871	12,230,137
9. Total net income(5)	408,705	966,591	649,367	115,849	3,536,509

* Excludes Newfoundland.

(1) Excludes imputed house rents.

(2) Sum of cash receipts, income-in-kind and supplementary payments.

(3) Realized gross income less operating and depreciation charges.

(4) Realized gross income plus inventory changes.

(5) Total gross income less operating and depreciation charges.

Farm Net Income, 1978 Preliminary — Advance Information

Realized net income from farming operations in Canada amounted to an estimated \$3,318.1 million in 1978, an increase of 21.4% over the revised 1977 level of \$2,732.9 million. Cash receipts in 1978 totalled \$11,810.1 million, up 16.8% over the revised 1977 estimate of \$10,114.6 million. Farm operating expenses at \$8,693.6 million in 1978 were 15.1% higher than the revised 1977 estimate of \$7,555.6 million.

Data users should note the substantial changes in net farm income estimates as a result of intercensal revisions and the exclusion of imputed house rent as a

component of net farm income. Because of the level of changes to net farm income as a result of excluding house rent, the series has been revised back to 1926 on CANSIM. Net farm income estimates are now available on CANSIM with the detailed expenses and receipts to follow in the next few weeks.

For further information, order *Farm Net Income, 1978 Preliminary* (catalogue 21-202, 70¢), or contact Mike Trant (613-995-4895), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

The Consumer Price Index, May 1979 (62-001, 40¢/\$4)**National Highlights**

The All-items Consumer Price Index for Canada (1971=100) increased by 1.0% from a level of 187.9 in April to 189.7 in May. As a result, the 12-month rise between May 1978 and May 1979 stood at 9.3%, down from the 9.8% registered in the previous 12-month period. Higher transportation charges, and increased tobacco and alcohol prices were the most significant factors in the over-all monthly CPI rise, having been responsible for about one-half of the increase. As a result, the index for all items excluding food advanced by 1.1%, up from the 0.6% observed in the previous month. Food prices continued to show some moderation as an advance of 0.6% was recorded, down from the 1.0% registered in the previous month.

The 0.6% increase in the food index was largely attributable to higher prices for restaurant meals. The food-away-from-home index rose by 1.5% in May, resulting in an increase of 13.3% over its level in May 1978. Higher prices for dairy products — primarily reflecting increased milk prices in the provinces of Ontario, Alberta and British Columbia — and increased prices for fresh fruit were largely responsible for the 0.3% increase in the food-at-home index. Dampening the impact of these increases were lower prices for selected fresh vegetables and for most beef and pork cuts. The current monthly increase in the food-at-home index brought this index to a level 13.7% above its May 1978 level.

Higher air fares, reflecting increased seasonal rates on selected flights and the ending of promotional sales, along with increased prices for alcohol consumed at home in all provinces except Alberta, were largely responsible for the 1.1% increase in the index for all items excluding food. Other notable contributing factors included higher prices for seasonal recreational equipment, new cars and increased shelter charges for both rented and owned accommodation. Price increases were also registered for selected clothing items and services. Between May 1978 and May 1979, the index for all items excluding food advanced 8.0%, up from the 7.5% registered in the previous 12-month period.

Viewed in terms of goods and services, the price level for goods, including food, advanced by 0.9% in the latest month, while that for services increased by 1.2%. As a result, between May 1978 and May 1979, the price level for goods advanced by 10.8% while that for services rose by 7.1%.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the All-items Consumer Price Index advanced by 0.7% between April and May: this comprised a 0.2% decrease in the food index and 1.0% increase in the index for all items excluding food.

City Highlights

Between April and May, consumer prices rose in all 15 cities for which CPIs are produced. Advances ranged from a 0.6% registered in Edmonton to 1.3% observed in Winnipeg. In nine of the 15 cities, consumer prices rose by 1.0% or more. Factors contributing to the differing rates of increases among cities were the varying rates of price movement for food and alcohol. In addition, all cities registered significant increases in air fares.

St. John's

All items: April to May 1979, up 1.2%; May 1978 to May 1979, up 10.4%.

Main contributors: increased air fares. Higher prices for beef, other meat products, fresh produce and chicken. Prices up for alcoholic beverages and household furnishings, while electricity rates declined.

Charlottetown/Summerside

All items: April to May 1979, up 0.7%; May 1978 to May 1979, up 8.7%.

Main contributors: higher air fares. Increased new car and gasoline prices. Household furnishings, clothing and liquor prices up. Higher pork prices but beef prices down.

Halifax

All items: April to May 1979, up 1.2%; May 1978 to May 1979, up 9.7%.

Main contributors: increased air fares, higher prices for gasoline and new cars. Prices up for alcoholic beverages, selected recreational equipment, restaurant meals and fresh produce.

Saint John

All items: April to May 1979, up 1.2%; May 1978 to May 1979, up 10.0%.

Main contributors: higher new car prices, air fares and electricity rates. Prices up for clothing, alcoholic beverages and restaurant meals.

Quebec

All items: April to May 1979, up 0.7%; May 1978 to May 1979, up 9.2%.

Main contributors: higher new car prices and air fares. Prices up for alcoholic beverages and selected recreational items. Fresh vegetable prices declined, while restaurant meal prices advanced.

Montreal

All items: April to May 1979, up 0.8%; May 1978 to May 1979, up 9.2%.

Main contributors: increased air fares and higher prices for new cars, and selected recreational items. Prices up for alcoholic beverages and restaurant meals while those for pork and fresh vegetables declined.

Ottawa

All items: April to May 1979, up 1.1%; May 1978 to May 1979, up 9.1%.

Main contributors: higher prices for alcoholic beverages and increased air fares. Higher prices for restaurant meals and dairy products.

Toronto

All items: April to May 1979, up 1.2%; May 1978 to May 1979, up 9.7%.

Main contributors: increased air fares. Higher prices for alcoholic beverages, dairy products and fresh fruit while pork and beef prices declined.

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Thunder Bay

All items: April to May 1979, up 0.9%; May 1978 to May 1979, up 8.6%.

Main contributors: higher prices for alcoholic beverages, selected recreational equipment and increased air fares. Prices up for dairy products. Gasoline prices declined.

Winnipeg

All items: April to May 1979, up 1.3%; May 1978 to May 1979, up 9.8%.

Main contributors: increased air and local transit fares and higher prices for gasoline. Higher prices for alcoholic beverages and selected recreational items. Food prices declined.

Regina

All items: April to May 1979, up 1.0%; May 1978 to May 1979, up 7.5%.

Main contributors: higher prices for gasoline and increased air fares. Higher prices for alcoholic beverages. Prices up for household furnishings and clothing. Decline in food prices.

Saskatoon

All items: April to May 1979, up 1.1%; May 1978 to May 1979, up 8.5%.

Main contributors: increased air fares and higher prices for new cars. Prices up for alcoholic beverages, fresh fruit and restaurant meals while beef prices decreased.

Edmonton

All items: April to May 1979, up 0.6%; May 1978 to May 1979, up 8.9%.

Main contributors: increased air fares and shelter prices. Higher prices for household furnishings and selected recreational items. Food prices declined.

Calgary

All items: April to May 1979, up 0.8%; May 1978 to May 1979, up 8.4%.

Main contributors: increased air fares and new car prices. Increased shelter charges. Prices up for restaurant meals and milk while meat and fresh vegetable prices declined.

Vancouver

All items: April to May 1979, up 1.0%; May 1978 to May 1979, up 7.8%.

Main contributors: increased air fares and higher new car prices. Higher prices for selected recreational items. Prices also up for liquor, restaurant meals and dairy products.

(see tables on pages 5-7)

Coal and Coke Statistics, March 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian coal production totalled 2 724 002 metric tonnes in March, an increase of 5.4% over the March 1978 figure of 2 585 604 tonnes. Landed imports rose 55.0% to 15 756 tonnes from 10 167 tonnes.

Production of coal in the first quarter of 1979 at 8 116 898 tonnes was up 5.3% from 7 710 437 tonnes in the January-March 1978 period. Industrial consumers used 8 000 833 tonnes of coal in the latest quarter (up 0.1% from 7 994 654 tonnes in the first quarter of 1978) and 1 361 065 tonnes of coke (up 4.5% from 1 301 946 tonnes).

For further information, order the March issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact Dave Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy Section, Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Airport Activity, November 1978 — Advance Information

Airport activity statistics for the top 50 airports in Canada are now available for the month of November 1978.

The accompanying table provides statistics on total scheduled enplaned plus deplaned passengers at the top 10 airports in Canada for November 1978, with comparative data for November 1977 and the percentage changes between the two periods.

The complete airport tables and further information may be obtained by contacting E. DiSanza (819-997-1986), Airport Activity Survey, Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Airport Activity

November 1977 and 1978

	1978	1977	% Change
Toronto	831,138	767,023	8.4
Montreal	446,420	432,452	3.2
Vancouver	372,407	345,520	7.8
Calgary	215,752	189,590	13.8
Winnipeg	142,398	139,276	2.2
Ottawa	141,411	134,358	5.2
Edmonton	128,121	114,400	12.0
Halifax	97,335	88,056	10.5
Edmonton Municipal	70,922	66,669	6.4
Mirabel	57,685	55,284	4.3

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation reading and education	Tobacco and alcohol
St. John's								
May 1979 index	199.2	256.6	199.8	151.0	176.1	188.8	153.9	165.3
April 1979 index	196.8	251.5	199.4	150.1	172.8	189.6	152.2	161.2
% change from April 1979	1.2	2.0	0.2	0.6	1.9	-0.4	1.1	2.5
% change from May 1978	10.4	19.0	7.5	5.7	7.4	9.9	11.0	7.2
Charlottetown/ Summerside**								
May 1979 index	150.6	161.0	154.1	132.1	148.4	149.6	131.3	138.1
April 1979 index	149.5	160.2	154.2	130.1	145.2	147.6	130.5	135.0
% change from April 1979	0.7	0.5	-0.1	1.5	2.2	1.4	0.6	2.3
% change from May 1978	8.7	12.3	6.9	8.6	8.5	8.2	7.3	6.1
Halifax								
May 1979 index	186.1	229.3	184.0	148.5	177.9	167.0	149.8	161.1
April 1979 index	183.9	225.9	183.4	148.1	173.7	164.7	148.6	156.4
% change from April 1979	1.2	1.5	0.3	0.3	2.4	1.4	0.8	3.0
% change from May 1978	9.7	15.3	6.4	7.3	9.5	7.7	8.0	12.5
Saint John								
May 1979 index	190.5	236.2	187.5	147.7	176.9	178.4	164.8	160.5
April 1979 index	188.2	232.8	186.5	145.8	173.3	177.5	163.0	157.3
% change from April 1979	1.2	1.5	0.5	1.3	2.1	0.5	1.1	2.0
% change from May 1978	10.0	16.0	6.6	7.5	9.3	8.1	9.4	8.7
Quebec								
May 1979 index	186.2	230.2	182.9	142.1	176.0	177.0	156.5	168.7
April 1979 index	184.9	229.9	182.2	141.7	173.3	176.4	154.1	165.8
% change from April 1979	0.7	0.1	0.4	0.3	1.6	0.3	1.6	1.7
% change from May 1978	9.2	12.0	9.1	6.8	8.7	9.1	8.3	5.6
Montreal								
May 1979 index	187.3	235.5	174.7	157.4	176.6	176.9	160.0	172.5
April 1979 index	185.9	234.0	174.2	156.1	174.4	178.1	157.9	169.0
% change from April 1979	0.8	0.6	0.3	0.8	1.3	-0.7	1.3	2.1
% change from May 1978	9.2	14.7	8.1	8.6	7.7	7.1	4.7	5.8
Ottawa								
May 1979 index	187.6	223.6	181.9	173.0	178.3	172.2	151.7	175.9
April 1979 index	185.6	222.0	181.3	171.7	175.3	171.2	149.4	166.2
% change from April 1979	1.1	0.7	0.3	0.8	1.7	0.6	1.5	5.8
% change from May 1978	9.1	12.5	6.6	10.3	11.5	7.6	7.6	9.1
Toronto								
May 1979 index	188.3	227.9	182.4	159.7	176.8	190.3	156.0	169.0
April 1979 index	186.0	226.1	182.0	158.6	172.7	187.5	153.3	159.5
% change from April 1979	1.2	0.8	0.2	0.7	2.4	1.5	1.8	6.0
% change from May 1978	9.7	12.7	6.9	11.7	12.0	11.8	7.2	8.1
Thunder Bay								
May 1979 index	188.8	228.5	185.9	153.1	181.6	184.0	155.3	169.2
April 1979 index	187.2	228.1	186.4	152.2	178.9	183.1	152.3	159.2
% change from April 1979	0.9	0.2	-0.3	0.6	1.5	0.5	2.0	6.3
% change from May 1978	8.6	11.1	6.6	10.4	8.5	8.8	7.7	9.4
Winnipeg								
May 1979 index	191.6	227.9	197.6	163.0	175.2	178.9	155.3	167.1
April 1979 index	189.1	228.9	196.6	161.7	166.9	178.4	152.4	160.9
% change from April 1979	1.3	-0.4	0.5	0.8	5.0	0.3	1.9	3.9
% change from May 1978	9.8	11.7	8.0	13.0	10.6	9.0	8.5	7.9
Regina								
May 1979 index	188.5	221.3	187.1	158.7	177.5	177.2	173.5	172.9
April 1979 index	186.7	222.2	186.2	157.8	173.1	176.6	170.9	167.9
% change from April 1979	1.0	-0.4	0.5	0.6	2.5	0.3	1.5	3.0
% change from May 1978	7.5	9.9	5.5	9.1	8.8	7.4	6.8	7.5

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada (continued)

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Transportation (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recreation reading and education	Tobacco and alcohol
Saskatoon								
May 1979 index	184.8	222.0	181.9	160.4	171.0	167.4	170.3	172.0
April 1979 index	182.7	221.1	181.0	160.0	166.8	166.1	167.4	166.6
% change from April 1979	1.1	0.4	0.5	0.2	2.5	0.8	1.7	3.2
% change from May 1978	8.5	11.2	6.4	9.0	10.3	7.7	7.3	7.6
Edmonton								
May 1979 index	191.0	223.1	202.4	164.9	177.3	167.6	160.7	147.7
April 1979 index	189.8	223.9	201.2	164.7	174.4	165.6	158.4	146.7
% change from April 1979	0.6	-0.4	0.6	0.1	1.7	1.2	1.5	0.7
% change from May 1978	8.9	11.0	8.4	9.6	9.0	7.1	8.4	3.8
Calgary								
May 1979 index	187.2	219.7	193.1	166.8	172.7	176.5	159.3	151.9
April 1979 index	185.7	220.0	192.1	165.8	168.5	174.6	156.7	150.1
% change from April 1979	0.8	-0.1	0.5	0.6	2.5	1.1	1.7	1.2
% change from May 1978	8.4	11.3	7.7	10.5	7.8	8.1	6.5	5.6
Vancouver								
May 1979 index	189.9	228.9	187.0	158.6	181.5	178.7	151.6	166.6
April 1979 index	188.0	226.9	186.7	158.0	177.2	176.1	148.4	164.1
% change from April 1979	1.0	0.9	0.2	0.4	2.4	1.5	2.2	1.5
% change from May 1978	7.8	11.0	4.9	7.5	10.5	9.0	6.8	5.2

* For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Section C of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (62-010, \$1.40/\$5.60).

** 1974=100.

Month-to-Month Percentage Changes in the Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Index for Canada*

	All items		Food		All items excluding food	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**
1978						
January	0.4	..	0.8	..	0.2	..
February	0.7	..	0.7	..	0.6	..
March	1.1	..	1.4	..	1.1	..
April	0.2	..	1.7	..	-0.4	..
May	1.4	..	3.3	..	0.6	..
June	0.9	..	2.0	..	0.4	..
July	1.5	..	4.0	..	0.4	..
August	0.1	..	-1.4	..	0.7	..
September	-0.2	..	-2.4	..	0.7	..
October	1.0	0.8	1.2	1.5	1.0	0.6
November	0.8	0.7	0.3	0.7	0.9	0.7
December	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.2	0.4
1979						
January	0.8	0.7	1.9	2.0	0.5	0.3
February	0.9	1.0	2.5	2.5	0.5	0.6
March	1.2	1.3	2.5	2.6	0.8	0.9
April	0.7	0.8	1.0	1.2	0.6	0.6
May	1.0	0.7	0.6	-0.2	1.1	1.0

* For some elaboration of methodology, see Appendix I(A) of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (Catalogue 62-010).

** Seasonally adjusted data are revised annually using updated seasonal adjustment factors. For more information, refer to Appendix II, Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (Catalogue 62-010).

... For an explanation of the non-availability of data previous to October 1978, see Appendix II, Section B(2), Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (Catalogue 62-010).

The Consumer Price Index and Major Components, Canada (1971=100)

	Indexes			Percentage Change	
	May 1979	Apr. 1979	May 1978	May 1979 from	
				Apr. 1979	May 1978
All items	189.7	187.9	173.6	1.0	9.3
Food	234.8	233.5	207.1	0.6	13.4
All items excluding food	175.2	173.3	162.2	1.1	8.0
Housing	184.2	183.7	172.1	0.3	7.0
Clothing	157.4	156.4	143.5	0.6	9.7
Transportation	176.3	173.1	160.3	1.8	10.0
Health and personal care	179.5	178.3	164.7	0.7	9.0
Recreation, reading and education	156.9	154.0	146.3	1.9	7.2
Tobacco and alcohol	168.1	162.4	157.0	3.5	7.1
Purchasing power of the 1971 consumer dollar	0.53	0.54	0.58		
All-items Consumer Price Index converted to 1961=100	253.1				

Consumer Price Indexes for Canada, Major Components, Sub-groups and Special Aggregates, not Seasonally Adjusted — Concluded (1971=100)

	Indexes		Percentage Change	
	May 1979	Apr. 1979	May 1979 from	
			Apr. 1979	May 1978
Major components, sub-groups and special aggregates				
Reclassified by goods and services				
Goods and services	189.7	1.0		9.3
Goods	193.5	0.9		10.8
Durable goods	151.6	1.0		10.8
Semi-durable goods	154.0	0.7		9.2
Non-durable goods	215.0	0.8		11.0
Services	185.0	1.2		7.1
Special aggregates				
All items excluding food	175.2	1.1		8.0
All items excluding energy	187.3	1.0		9.3
Energy	222.5	0.3		8.2
All items excluding food and energy	170.7	1.2		8.0

New Education Price Index (Preliminary)

The Education Price Index (EPI) at the elementary-secondary level shows that the price of goods and services purchased by school boards has risen more rapidly than those measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI). Between 1973 and 1978, the EPI increased by 70.1% while the CPI increased by 55.5%.

In addition to this new Education Price Index, which measures the price change of a fixed quantity of goods and services bought by school boards at the elementary and secondary levels, sub-indices are also available upon request by province for the years 1973 to 1978 inclusive.

For further information, contact Yves Dupuis (613-995-9795), Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Education Price Index at the Elementary-Secondary Level and Consumer Price Index for Canada

1973 to 1978
(base year 1973)

Year	Education Price Index (EPI)	Consumer Price Index (CPI)
1973	100.0	100.0
1974	110.4	110.9
1975	126.7	122.9
1976	146.4	132.1
1977	158.3	142.7
1978	170.1	155.5

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory Services staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island by telephoning 1-800-565-7192. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

April 1979 — Advance Information

	Domestic		Export		Total	
	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Ingot and semi-finished shapes	40,507	36 746	16,500	14 968	57,007	51 714
Rails	20,846	18 911	11,046	10 021	31,892	28 932
Wire rods	79,751	72 349	32,466	29 453	112,217	101 802
Structural shapes:						
Heavy	62,244	56 467	12,133	11 007	74,377	67 474
Bar-sized shapes	17,006	15 428	1,615	1 465	18,621	16 893
Concrete reinforcing bars	38,393	34 829	112	102	38,505	34 931
Other hot rolled bars	102,730	93 195	10,849	9 842	113,579	103 037
Tie plates and track material	10,043	9 111	779	707	10,822	9 818
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes)	111,120	100 808	22,666	20 562	133,786	121 370
Hot rolled sheets and strip	208,776	189 397	14,980	13 589	223,756	202 986
Cold finished bars	10,363	9 401	177	161	10,540	9 562
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled						
other, coated	151,405	137 353	7,886	7 154	159,291	144 507
Galvanized sheets	77,055	69 903	10,880	9 870	87,935	79 773
Total	930,239	843 898	142,089	128 901	1,072,328	972 799

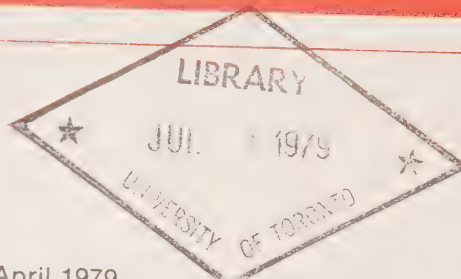
*Producers' shipments excluding producers' interchange.

For further information, order the April issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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- 41-010 (\$2.80 per year) **Minerals, Vol. 7, 1978: No. 2, Consumption of Chrome Ore and Manganese Ore; No. 3, Consumption of Cobalt**

Preliminary Monthly Report of Petroleum Sales

April 1979

(Thousands Cubic Metres)

	Motor Gasoline	Aviation Turbo Fuel (Kero.)	Aviation Turbo Fuel (Naptha)	Kero. & Stove Oil	Diesel Fuel	Light Fuel Oil	Heavy Fuel Oil	Other Products	Total Products	Motor Gasoline by Grade		
										Pre-mium	No-Lead	Regular
Nfld.	49	17	3	10	29	42	11	1	162	4	16	29
P.E.I.	14	—	1	2	2	13	6	1	39	2	3	9
N.S.	95	7	3	12	36	98	187	22	460	11	26	58
N.B.	82	2	2	7	27	62	154	11	347	6	23	53
Que.	679	66	19	25	227	408	481	221	2 126	143	184	352
Ont.	1 005	90	23	20	237	452	363	492	2 682	106	280	619
Man.	118	4	17	11	47	16	10	13	236	4	26	88
Sask.	139	—	7	9	47	17	1	13	233	3	19	117
Alta.	371	14	21	5	155	7	1	72	646	21	69	281
B.C.	307	22	28	12	158	72	91	64	754	26	57	224
Yukon	3	1	—	4	3	3	—	-3	11	—	—	3
N.W.T.	3	2	3	—	8	7	—	3	26	—	—	3
Canada	2 865	225	127	117	976	1 197	1 305	910	7 722	326	703	1 836
Canada '78	2 750	195	124	134	903	1 302	1 243	791	7 442	275	688	1 787
% Change 79/78	4.2	15.4	2.4	-12.7	8.1	-8.1	5.0	15.0	3.8	18.5	2.2	2.7

Refined Petroleum Products, April 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary data for the month of April show that net sales of all refined petroleum products amounted to 48,594,000 barrels (7 722 thousand cubic metres), an increase of 3.8% over the April 1978 total of 46,832,000 barrels (7 442 thousand cubic metres).

Canadian refineries produced 54,559,000 barrels (8 670 thousand cubic metres) of refined petroleum products in April, up 13.5% from 48,078,000 barrels (7 640 thousand cubic metres) in April 1978.

For further information, order the April issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, 40¢/\$4), or contact G.R. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Wholesale Trade, April 1979 — Advance Information

Wholesale merchants' sales for April were estimated at \$5,566,185,000, an increase of 12.6% from the \$4,942,241,000 recorded in April 1978.

Wholesale inventories were valued at \$10,284,505,000 at April 30, up 24.8% from stocks of \$8,241,655,000 on hand at the end of April last year.

For further information, order the April issue of *Wholesale Trade*, (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Steel Ingots, Week Ended June 16, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended June 16 was 326,120 short tons (295 851 t), a decrease of 7.3% from the preceding week's total of 351,805 short tons (319 152 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 302,093 short tons (274 054 t).

The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 178.0 in the current week, 192.0 a week earlier and 164.9 a year earlier.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Output Price Indexes of Non-residential Construction

1st Quarter 1979 — Advance Information

Model 1. Office Building

	Q1	Montreal	Ottawa	Toronto	Vancouver	4-City Composite
Total index	1979	110.4	110.0	111.6	117.4	112.4
	1978	106.0	101.7	104.2	108.8	105.2
	% change	4.1	8.2	7.0	8.0	6.8
Architectural trades	1979	109.9	107.8	111.6	118.2	111.9
	1978	107.2	101.6	104.4	108.7	105.4
	% change	2.5	6.2	6.9	8.8	6.1
Structural trades	1979	109.1	113.8	107.0	123.6	113.3
	1978	105.0	104.4	101.8	111.8	105.7
	% change	3.9	9.1	5.1	10.6	7.1
Mechanical trades	1979	125.7	124.6	121.6	120.9	123.2
	1978	113.4	114.9	111.5	114.7	113.6
	% change	10.9	8.4	9.0	5.4	8.5
Electrical trades	1979	112.0	115.1	115.9	114.3	114.4
	1978	103.8	103.4	105.9	105.1	104.5
	% change	7.9	11.3	9.5	8.8	9.4

For further information, order the June issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, 40¢/\$4), or contact D.S. Seymour (613-995-5761), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

**Production during May and January to May 1978 and 1979 and
Stocks at June 1, 1978 and 1979 of Specified Dairy Products**

	Production				Stocks	
	May		Jan.-May		June 1	
	1978	1979	1978	1979	1978	1979
	tonnes					
Creamery Butter						
Maritimes	296	335	1 134	1 360	285	440
Quebec	6 544	5 385	17 431	15 352	17 604	20 646
Ontario	2 931	3 232	12 527	13 354	4 460	2 691
Western Prov.	1 802	1 585	7 344	7 177	4 134	2 192
Canada	11 573	10 537	38 436	37 243	26 483	25 969
Cheddar Cheese						
Maritimes	395	466	1 479	1 914	643	703
Quebec	3 317	4 407	14 383	20 028	14 897	18 529
Ontario	2 448	2 715	9 921	11 556	8 813	8 699
Western Prov.	1 241	1 265	4 888	5 270	2 423	2 291
Canada	7 401	8 853	30 671	38 768	26 776	30 222
Skim Milk Powder						
Canada	17 597	13 718	46 363	39 422	29 698	19 058

For further information, contact C.M. Riach (613-995-4853), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

10-day period ending May 31, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	4,195,319	3,481,545	7,676,864
Short tons, 1978	2,468,655	3,138,215	5,606,870
Metric tonnes, 1979	3 805 929	3 158 404	6 964 333
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 239 526	2 846 941	5 086 467
% change	69.9	10.9	36.9
Cars, 1979	62,985	50,442	113,427
Cars, 1978	45,259	46,731	91,990
% change	39.2	7.9	23.3
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	224,985	97,405	322,390
Short tons, 1978	206,749	71,332	278,081
Metric tonnes, 1979	204 103	88 364	292 467
Metric tonnes, 1978	187 560	64 711	252 271
% change	8.8	36.6	15.9
Cars, 1979	7,258	3,474	10,732
Cars, 1978	6,378	2,979	9,357
% change	13.8	16.6	14.7
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	54,067,228	46,875,043	100,942,271
Short tons, 1978	44,929,476	46,253,619	91,183,095
Metric tonnes, 1979	49 048 964	42 524 324	91 573 288
Metric tonnes, 1978	40 759 335	41 960 577	82 719 912
% change	20.3	1.3	10.7
Cars, 1979	861,538	685,346	1,546,884
Cars, 1978	776,156	693,613	1,469,769
% change	11.0	-1.2	5.2
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	3,474,194	1,344,319	4,818,513
Short tons, 1978	3,517,549	1,263,085	4,780,634
Metric tonnes, 1979	3 151 736	1 219 546	4 371 282
Metric tonnes, 1978	3 191 067	1 145 851	4 336 918
% change	-1.2	6.4	0.8
Cars, 1979	105,735	51,018	156,753
Cars, 1978	106,228	51,146	157,374
% change	-0.5	-0.3	-0.4

PF2 The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 10 Days Ended May 31, 1979 —
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Railways in Canada loaded 7.0 million t (7.7 million short tons) of revenue freight in the above-noted 10 days, a gain of 36.9% from the corresponding 1978 period. Traffic in the East showed an increase of 69.9% in the latest period, mainly reflecting the depressed loadings of iron ore in 1978 resulting from labour problems in the iron mining industries of Quebec and Newfoundland. Western loadings rose 10.9%.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments were up 8.8% in the East and 36.6% in the West for an over-all year-over-year increase of 15.9%.

Rail freight volume loaded in Canada during the first five months of 1979 was 10.7% above the 1978 level, while the number of cars loaded rose 5.2%. Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) shipments increased by 0.8%.

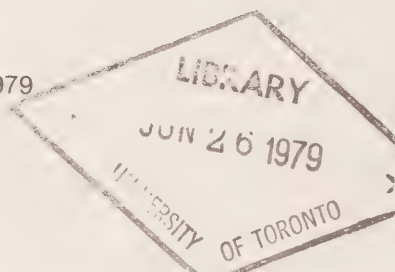
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Railway Carloadings

7-day Period Ended June 7, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,851,020	2,285,029	5,136,049
Short tons, 1978	1,773,410	2,449,616	4,223,026
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 586 401	2 072 943	4 659 344
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 608 810	2 222 254	3 831 064
% change	60.8	-6.7	21.6
Cars, 1979	43,901	33,906	77,807
Cars, 1978	33,308	36,206	69,514
% change	31.8	-6.4	11.9
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	149,666	62,844	212,510
Short tons, 1978	167,731	60,918	228,649
Metric tonnes, 1979	135 775	57 011	192 786
Metric tonnes, 1978	152 163	55 264	207 427
% change	-10.8	3.2	-7.1
Cars, 1979	4,640	2,368	7,008
Cars, 1978	5,242	2,343	7,585
% change	-11.5	1.1	-7.6
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	56,918,699	49,161,174	106,079,873
Short tons, 1978	46,702,886	48,703,235	95,406,121
Metric tonnes, 1979	51 635 775	44 598 267	96 234 042
Metric tonnes, 1978	42 368 145	44 182 832	86 550 977
% change	21.9	0.9	11.2
Cars, 1979	905,439	719,095	1,624,534
Cars, 1978	809,464	729,819	1,539,283
% change	11.9	-1.5	5.5
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	3,623,860	1,404,422	5,028,282
Short tons, 1978	3,685,280	1,324,003	5,009,283
Metric tonnes, 1979	3 287 510	1 274 070	4 561 580
Metric tonnes, 1978	3 343 230	1 201 115	4 544 345
% change	-1.7	6.1	0.4
Cars, 1979	110,376	53,386	163,762
Cars, 1978	111,470	53,489	164,959
% change	-1.0	-0.2	-0.7

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Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended June 7, 1979 —
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The volume of revenue rail freight loaded in Canada in the above-noted week totalled 4.7 million t (5.1 million short tons), an increase of 21.6% over the same period in 1978. Tonnage loaded east of the Lakehead was up 60.8% (mainly because of traffic lost due to strikes in 1978) while in the West freight loaded was down 6.7%.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments were down 10.8% in the East and up 3.2% in the West to register an over-all decline of 7.1% in the week under review.

Between January 1 and June 7, 1979, Canadian railways loaded 11.2% more freight than in the corresponding 1978 period; the number of cars loaded

rose by 5.5%, and container-trailer (piggyback) traffic showed a gain of 0.4%.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-992-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Local Government Employment, January-March 1979 — Advance Information

Municipalities across Canada employed 266,717 persons in general government services at the end of March 1979. The number of employees of these same municipalities at the end of December 1978 was 266,613.

Gross payrolls of Canadian municipalities for the first quarter of 1979 amounted to \$902,705,000, a decrease of 5.2% from the \$952,115,000 reported for the last quarter of 1978.

For further information, order the January-March issue of *Local Government Employment* (72-009, 70¢/\$2.80), or contact the Local Government Section (613-995-9897), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Airport Activity, December 1978 — Advance Information

Airport activity statistics for the top 50 airports in Canada are now available for the month of December 1978.

The table below provides statistics on total scheduled enplaned plus deplaned passengers at the top 10 airports in Canada for December 1978, with comparative data for December 1977 and percentage change.

The complete airport tables and further information may be obtained by contacting E. Di Sanza (819-997-1986), Airport Activity Survey, Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Airport Activity

December 1977 and 1978

	1978	1977	% Change
Toronto	880,155	805,908	9.2
Vancouver	460,982	424,024	8.7
Montreal	451,497	441,315	2.3
Calgary	255,427	224,937	13.6
Winnipeg	166,862	164,591	1.4
Edmonton	157,390	141,746	11.0
Ottawa	133,507	120,827	10.5
Halifax	110,548	103,641	6.7
Mirabel*	83,322	52,361	59.1
Edmonton Municipal	61,615	60,701	1.5

* The substantial increase in station activity at Mirabel International for December 1978 relative to December 1977 is attributable primarily to reduced activity at this airport in December 1977 resulting from work slowdowns and stoppages by runway maintenance personnel.

Canada Health Survey

Preliminary results from the Canada Health Survey show that 10% of a sample of over 3,000 Canadians between the ages of 6-44 have an inadequate level of immunity to polio while immunity levels are doubtful for an additional 24%. Twenty per cent of a sample of 698 individuals in the age groups 3 to 5 years and 15 to 19 years have an inadequate level of immunity to diphtheria. It should be noted that these results are

unweighted. More details on this and other aspects of the health of Canadians will be published in early 1980 in the report on the Canada Health Survey. Further information is available from the Canada Health Survey (613-593-5260), Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Gross National Product, First Quarter 1979

Preliminary estimates of the National Income and Expenditure Accounts indicate Gross National Product, seasonally adjusted at annual rates, increased 3.8% in the first quarter of 1979. After adjustment for price changes, this represents real growth of 1.7%. This is broadly consistent with the rise in Real Domestic Product after allowing for a return to more normal levels of dividend payments abroad following the exceptionally high fourth quarter outflows. Excluding international transactions in investment income, the volume of production on a domestic basis increased an average of 1.25% in each of the last two quarters.

The increase in the volume of GNE this quarter was the result of an acceleration in all the major sectors of domestic expenditure with the exception of construction activity. The strengthening of domestic expenditure more than offset a decline in external demand, particularly by the United States where production was virtually unchanged in the first quarter. Since merchandise imports rose by 4% in volume, Canada's external trade in goods constituted a substantial drag on the economy in the first three months of 1979.

The growth of personal expenditure this quarter, largely in durable goods, appears to have been somewhat exaggerated by a natural recovery from the low fourth quarter level and particularly strong sales in Quebec. Business fixed investment was virtually unchanged this quarter, as a decline in construction activity offset the fourth consecutive strong gain in machinery and equipment investment. Non-farm business inventory accumulation again accelerated sharply this quarter and accounted for a substantial portion of the increase in expenditure.

After two years of generally weak inventory accumulation, a substantial amount of non-farm business stocks was accumulated last quarter, and stockbuilding advanced a further \$3,064 million in volume in the first quarter. Much of the accumulation occurred in durable goods at both the manufacturing and wholesale levels. There may have been some intentional buildup of raw material stocks in anticipation of further price increases. The run-up in finished goods stocks by manufacturers, on the other hand, appears to have been more related to an easing of demand, as manufacturing shipments decelerated. The slowdown of shipments has been particularly evident in export-based industries since September.

The accumulation of finished goods inventories appears not to have had a serious impact on production, however, and may reflect the expectation that the sales decline was temporary, a view supported by the

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very large backlog of unfilled orders in manufacturing. The relatively low stock-to-sales ratios resulting from a rundown in finished goods inventories last year and the improvement in corporate liquidity brought about by the recent strong performance of profits may also have led manufacturers to sustain production despite the inventory accumulations of the last two quarters. The continued high rate of stockpiling of motor vehicles, especially full-sized and intermediate models, suggests that at least for this industry involuntary accumulation was again an important factor in the increase in inventories.

Total gross fixed capital formation was virtually unchanged in volume in the first quarter. The major source of weakness was once again residential construction, which is estimated to have fallen by about 5% as a result of the continued low level of housing starts. The volume of business investment in plant and equipment rose 1.3%, as a decline in non-residential construction was outweighed by a 3.9% gain in investment in machinery and equipment. The first quarter level of machinery and equipment investment rests 9.5% above the 1978 average, implying more growth for the year than is consistent with the *Public and Private Investment in Canada* estimate of intentions. Total business investment in plant and equipment is now about 8% above the level of a year earlier, the strongest such gain since 1975.

Merchandise exports rose 3.9% in value in the first quarter while imports were up 7.1%. As a result, the current dollar merchandise trade surplus fell by about \$1,656 million. The decline in net merchandise exports was more severe in constant dollar terms, as the increase in nominal exports reflected a 5.6% increase in the implicit price index for exports. This very large increase in export prices was the result of weight shifts towards relatively high-priced export commodities and some acceleration in producers' prices. The aggregate Industry Selling Price Index was on average 4.3% higher in the first quarter than in the fourth quarter despite the reduction of manufacturing sales tax rates late in the fourth quarter.

The 1.7% decline in the volume of exports would have been larger but for sharply higher exports of crude materials, notably crude petroleum and natural gas. The fact that exports were buttressed by increases in goods whose export levels are largely determined by governments and not market conditions, together with increased export prices, explains the unusually high level of nominal exports despite the weak performance of production in the U.S. in the first quarter. Other notable movements in exports included some recovery in nickel, copper, and iron ore and continued strong exports of newsprint, woodpulp, and machinery and equipment. Exports of farm products and end products fared poorly; the largest declines occurred in passenger cars, aluminum, and wheat. Lumber exports, which had been strong since mid-1976, were weak as construction activity slumped in the U.S.

Merchandise import growth continued in the first quarter, rising 7.1% in nominal terms. Sharply higher imports of motor vehicle parts and all types of machinery and equipment — industrial, agricultural, and communications — accounted for most of the

increase in the value of imports. Reduced imports of relatively higher priced coal and crude petroleum helped to slow the growth of the implicit price index for merchandise imports to 3.0%. The 4.0% increase in the volume of merchandise imports raised its share of real GNE to over 20%, and import penetration has increased steadily from about 18% in early 1978.

The sharp deterioration in the current dollar merchandise trade position was virtually offset by an improvement of over \$1,636 million in the non-merchandise balance. This improvement was primarily the result of a decline of almost 30% in dividends paid to non-residents which reflects the fact that the high fourth quarter level was mainly the result of the change in tax laws affecting the distribution of accumulated surplus.

The 1.3% increase in real personal expenditure was largely the result of strong durable goods sales, which advanced 5.8% in volume terms. Demand for some durable and semi-durable goods was particularly strong in Quebec, in part due to the expected reimposition of sales taxes on furniture and clothing. Automobile sales exhibited robust growth of about 15%. This strength is perhaps somewhat surprising, since it followed by only one quarter the increase in sales tax rates in several provinces. The increase appears to have originated in part in those provinces where automobile sales tax rates were not altered in 1978.

Other notable movements apparent within real personal expenditure were very strong growth in automobile-related products such as gasoline, parts and repairs, a slight decrease in expenditure on food as prices increased over 6%, and a decline in net travel expenditure abroad. Over-all, real expenditure on non-durables and services rose moderately, while widespread declines in expenditure on semi-durable goods other than clothing restrained total personal expenditure growth.

The most notable development in terms of factor incomes was a 12.2% gain in corporate profits, which are now 34.3% above the level of a year earlier. The increased value of exports and personal expenditure and the continued improvement in profit margins as prices increased helped to stimulate corporate profits. Part of the very strong performance of corporate profits in the last two quarters was the result of a sharply higher level of inventory valuation adjustment which advanced moderately in the first quarter following the rapid increase of the previous quarter. All sectors recorded strong profit increases this quarter, with further gains in manufacturing and mining of particular importance. Profits in manufacturing are now estimated to be over 60% above the level of the first quarter of 1978.

Continued solid gains in employment in the first quarter resulted in wages, salaries, and supplementary labour income growing by about 2.0%. The strongest increases occurred in the goods-producing industries as labour income in mining and manufacturing rose by over 3%, with an increase in manufacturing employ-

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ment of particular importance. These gains more than offset weak demand for labour in construction, where labour income was virtually flat. Despite strong increases in labour income in the trade and finance industries, a decline in employment and wages and salaries paid by the public administration industry and moderate growth in the transportation industry restrained the gain in the total service-producing industries.

The 2.3% increase in personal income largely originated in the rise in labour income and continued strong growth in investment income received by persons, as government transfers to persons declined. Personal income taxes advanced 4.7%, which restrained the growth of personal disposable income to 1.9%. Together with a 3.2% increase in personal expenditure, the personal savings rate fell from 9.9% to 8.6%.

Total revenue of all levels of government combined (excluding intergovernmental transfers) rose by 4.0% for the second consecutive quarter. Total expenditure grew by 2.6% after a 2.4% increase in the fourth quarter of 1978. Increases in expenditures occurred at all levels of government. Current expenditure on goods and services increased by 2.0%. With the increase in total revenue exceeding that of total expenditure, the deficit of the government sector (on a national accounts basis) declined from \$6.9 billion in the previous quarter to \$5.7 billion in the first quarter.

Following normal practice, data from 1975 to 1978 inclusive have been revised to incorporate the most current source data and revised seasonal patterns. The revisions are generally within historically expected ranges, and in many cases are substantially less than in the previous few years. A note discussing the revisions will appear in the second quarter *National Income and Expenditure Accounts* publication, and will be available upon request by mid-July.

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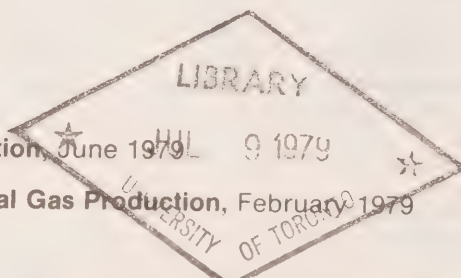
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64-002 (55¢/\$5.50) Housing Starts and Completions, April 1979

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Mar. 1979f (\$ millions)	Feb. 1979p	Jan. 1979r
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Newfoundland	147.3	144.8	144.3
Prince Edward Island	28.1	27.6	27.0
Nova Scotia	272.4	265.7	266.3
New Brunswick	206.8	206.3	206.5
Quebec	2,600.4	2,565.2	2,543.2
Ontario	4,273.7	4,215.5	4,188.2
Manitoba	403.7	396.6	397.0
Saskatchewan	313.3	304.7	304.3
Alberta	946.8	921.3	922.3
British Columbia	1,276.6	1,215.2	1,205.7
Yukon, Northwest Territories	36.5	35.7	35.6
Total Wages and Salaries	10,505.5	10,298.5	10,240.5
Supplementary Labour Income	856.8	840.0	835.2
Labour Income	11,362.3	11,138.6	11,075.7
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Newfoundland	154.9	153.4	151.0
Prince Edward Island	31.1	30.4	29.3
Nova Scotia	283.6	276.2	276.1
New Brunswick	217.2	217.8	215.2
Quebec	2,640.6	2,605.9	2,584.9
Ontario	4,366.5	4,319.1	4,282.5
Manitoba	414.7	409.6	408.6
Saskatchewan	324.1	318.1	317.8
Alberta	971.7	944.6	947.9
British Columbia	1,279.7	1,244.1	1,243.1
Yukon, Northwest Territories	37.1	37.2	37.5
Total Wages and Salaries	10,721.2	10,556.4	10,493.9
Supplementary Labour Income	874.3	861.1	855.9
Labour Income	11,595.5	11,417.5	11,349.8

f First estimate

p Preliminary estimate

r Revised estimate

Estimates of Labour Income, March 1979 — Advance Information

Labour income for the month of March was estimated at \$11.4 billion, an increase of \$1,048.7 million or 10.2% from March 1978.

Adjusted for seasonal variation, wages and salaries increased by \$164.8 million between February and March to \$10.7 billion.

Data users should note that annual estimates of wages and salaries have been revised for the years 1977 and 1978 and annual estimates of supplementary labour income have been revised from 1973 to date. These annual revisions have been incorporated in the current monthly estimates.

The revised estimates will be published in the January-March issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, \$1.05/\$4.20), or may be obtained upon request from Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8431), Labour Income Section, Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Mar. 1979f	Feb. 1979p (\$ millions)	Jan. 1979r	Mar. 1978
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture, Fishing and Trapping	87.6	63.0	62.3	70.1
Forestry	96.6	97.3	101.4	91.5
Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells	273.2	272.6	266.8	245.3
Manufacturing Industries	2,434.0	2,401.8	2,385.2	2,168.3
Construction Industry	658.4	617.6	614.3	644.7
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	1,105.0	1,095.6	1,094.6	991.1
Trade	1,377.9	1,351.1	1,351.5	1,254.7
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	725.6	706.6	713.2	635.6
Commercial and Personal Service	995.4	967.1	962.4	898.3
Education and Related Services	1,112.9	1,109.5	1,096.9	1,047.9
Health and Welfare Services	668.0	659.0	650.7	600.4
Federal Administration and Other Government Offices	409.4	409.6	396.1	381.0
Provincial Administration	306.3	301.4	298.6	290.0
Local Administration	255.2	246.2	246.5	223.6
Total Wages and Salaries	10,505.5	10,298.5	10,240.5	9,542.4
Supplementary Labour Income	856.8	840.0	835.2	771.2
Labour Income	11,362.3	11,138.6	11,075.7	10,313.6
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture, Fishing and Trapping	122.5	104.5	102.9	97.3
Forestry	114.1	105.7	114.5	109.2
Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells	273.1	274.3	267.0	244.2
Manufacturing Industries	2,463.3	2,457.9	2,445.1	2,196.8
Construction Industry	759.9	723.7	733.0	740.8
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	1,136.7	1,123.8	1,115.2	1,017.9
Trade	1,405.9	1,388.3	1,376.9	1,280.6
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	715.6	709.0	717.9	626.3
Commercial and Personal Service	1,019.6	997.2	990.9	919.5
Education and Related Services	1,043.3	1,031.3	1,025.4	996.0
Health and Welfare Services	678.5	662.8	648.4	610.2
Federal Administration and Other Government Offices	409.9	414.3	404.4	380.5
Provincial Administration	315.9	309.2	304.3	299.0
Local Administration	263.0	254.4	248.0	229.5
Total Wages and Salaries	10,721.2	10,556.4	10,493.9	9,747.8
Supplementary Labour Income	874.3	861.1	855.9	788.0
Labour Income	11,595.5	11,417.5	11,349.8	10,535.8

f First Estimate

p Preliminary Estimate

r Revised Estimate

Postcensal Estimates of Population, Canada and Provinces, April 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Canada's population at April 1, 1979 totalled an estimated 23,644,800. Population figures for the provinces were as follows: Newfoundland, 572,900; Prince Edward Island, 122,500; Nova Scotia, 846,700; New Brunswick, 700,200; Quebec, 6,298,100; Ontario, 8,493,300; Manitoba, 1,030,000; Saskatchewan, 954,900; Alberta, 1,998,800; British Columbia, 2,562,600; Yukon, 21,600; Northwest Territories, 43,200.

These postcensal estimates will be published in the next few weeks in catalogue 91-001; the bulletin will also provide details on the estimation methodology and brief comments on the results. To obtain information on population estimates, contact Miss G. Caron (613-995-2213), Demography Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, April 1979 — Advance Information

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 1,100.8 million feet board measure (2 597.6 m³) of lumber and ties in April compared to 1,102.6 million feet board measure (2 601.8 m³) a year earlier.

January to April production increased to 4,348.3 million feet board measure (10 260.8 m³) in 1979 from 4,278.3 million feet board measure (10 095.7 m³) in 1978.

For further information, order the April issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Merchandising Businesses Survey: Wholesale Merchants, 1977 — Advance Information

The revised total volume of trade reported by 21,597 establishments for the 1977 Merchandising Businesses Survey, Wholesale Merchants was \$70,582,376,000.

This and other data will be contained in *Merchandising Businesses Survey, 1977, Wholesale Merchants* (63-601, \$1.05), and advance details may be obtained from the Wholesale Trade Section (613-996-9307), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, June 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first day of June amounted to 113.1 million pounds compared with 114.0 million last month and 101.5 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the June issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Tobacco Products — Cigarettes and Cigars, May 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian production of cigarettes rose to 6.2 billion in May from 5.1 billion a year earlier. Production of cigars totalled 38.2 million, up from 35.6 million in May 1978.

For further information, order the May issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact G. Elliot (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Elementary-Secondary Data Available

Preliminary elementary-secondary data for the 1978-79 school year are now available. The following specific information is included:

- Total enrolment by grade, by province and by jurisdiction
- Interprovincial and international migration data by province
- Percentage changes from the previous school year.

All requests should be forwarded to: Jim Seidle (613-995-9795), Elementary-Secondary Education Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

32-024 (15¢/\$1.50) **Production and Inventories of Process Cheese and Instant Skim Milk Powder, May 1979**

46-001 (15¢/\$1.50) **Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, April 1979**

81-219 (70¢) **Tuition and Living Accommodation Costs at Canadian Universities, 1978-79 and 1979-80**

84-001 (35¢/\$1.40) **Vital Statistics, January-March 1979**

Service Bulletin:

52-004 (\$1.40 per year) **Railway Transport, Vol. 9, No. 3, Railway Carloadings, March 1979; Railway Operating Statistics, December 1978**

Provincial Government Employment, January-March 1979 — Advance Information

Canada's provincial and territorial governments (excluding British Columbia) had 355,625 employees at the end of March 1979, an increase of 1.2% over the number employed at the end of March 1978. There were small increases in employees reported by all provinces and territories except Ontario and Manitoba, where general government employment dropped by 2.9% and 0.9%, respectively, from a year earlier.

Total payrolls for the 1978-79 fiscal year at an estimated \$5.4 billion showed an increase of 8.6% over the previous fiscal year.

For further information, order the January-March issue of *Provincial Government Employment* (72-007, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact A.G. Kerr (613-995-8201), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Provincial Government Finance, Revenue and Expenditure, 1978-79 — Advance Information

Gross general revenue of Canada's provincial and territorial governments for the fiscal year 1978-79 is estimated at \$47,798.8 million, an increase of 10.7% over the revised estimate of revenue for the previous fiscal year. Gross general expenditure, estimated at \$48,601.7 million, shows an increase of 9.2% over 1977-78.

Further information, including complete provincial breakdown of revenue and expenditure, will be contained in *Provincial Government Finance, Revenue and Expenditure (Estimates)*, 1978 (68-205, \$1.40). For advance information, contact G.M. Rheaume (613-995-8201), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Department Store Sales and Stocks, April 1979 — Advance Information

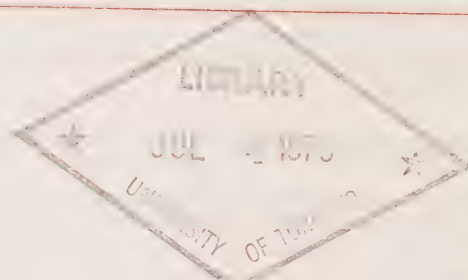
Department store sales totalled \$606.3 million in April, an increase of 7.8% from the \$562.2 million recorded in April 1978. Sales rose in 35 of the 40 departments with the largest increases posted by food and kindred products (+44.5%) and girls' and teenage girls' wear (+40.0%). All provinces reported increased sales from a year earlier ranging from 28.1% for Newfoundland to 5.2% for Ontario. Sales and percentage changes for metropolitan areas were: Montreal, \$69.3 million, +6.8%; Toronto, \$87.0 million, +2.7%; Winnipeg, \$31.2 million, +2.9%; and Vancouver, \$61.7 million, +9.1%.

The selling value of stocks held in April 1979 at \$2,270.1 million showed an increase of 11.9% over April 1978. Inventories were higher in 36 of the 40 departments.

For further information, order the April issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

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Publication Released

Released today is the publication *Employment, Earnings and Hours, Seasonally Adjusted Series*, January 1961-December 1977 (72-206, \$3.50). The data contained in this issue supersede those previously published in the 1961-1971 edition. This catalogue will be produced annually and will contain approximately 10 years of monthly data.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

- 25-001 (15¢/\$1.50) Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics, April 1979**
 - 32-202 (70¢) Biscuit Manufacturers, 1977**
 - 32-209 (70¢) Dairy Products Industry, 1977**
 - 32-214 (70¢) Feed Industry, 1977**
 - 32-221 (70¢) Slaughtering and Meat Processors, 1977**
 - 32-224 (70¢) Miscellaneous Food Processors, 1977**
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34-217 (\$1.05) Women's and Children's Clothing Industries, 1977

35-213 (70¢) Miscellaneous Furniture and Fixtures Manufacturers, 1977

35-214 (70¢) Electric Lamp and Shade Manufacturers, 1977

41-006 (15¢/\$1.50) Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, April 1979

47-208 (70¢) Plastics Fabricating Industry, 1977

57-001 (30¢/\$3) Electric Power Statistics, March 1979

72-206 (\$3.50) Employment, Earnings and Hours, Seasonally-adjusted Series, January 1961-December 1977

81-238 (\$1.05) Publicly-supported Vocational Training Involving the Private Sector, 1977-78

Employment, Earnings and Hours (Seasonally Adjusted), April 1979 — Advance Information

The first estimates of the Canada composite* index of employment (1961=100) for April 1979 showed only a marginal increase over March (+0.1%). Forestry, manufacturing and finance, insurance and real estate increased while trade remained unchanged and the remaining industry divisions declined. Gains in the Atlantic region, Quebec and British Columbia were almost offset by losses in Ontario and the Prairie region.

Average weekly earnings rose by 0.7% at the national industrial composite level. Gains were recorded in all industry divisions except forestry and in all regions except the Atlantic and British Columbia.

Average weekly hours showed declines in mining (including milling), and in manufacturing but showed an increase in construction. Average hourly earnings increased in mining (including milling), manufacturing and construction.

* Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious organizations, private households and public administration and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year. Notes on concepts and methods can be found in any issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours*.

Detailed information for February and March will be published in the April issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7), and is also available from R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

(see tables on pages 3-5)

Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, April 1979 — Advance Information

Advance information on canned and frozen fruits and vegetables for the month of April is now available.

For further information, order the April issue of *Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Rod Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, March 1979 — Advance Information

Crude petroleum production for the month of March averaged 261 500 cubic metres daily (1,645,400 barrels/day), up 14.8% from 227 800 cubic metres/day (1,433,400 barrels/day) in March 1978.

Net new production of natural gas for the latest period averaged 303 400 thousand cubic metres/day (10,708,900 thousand cubic feet/day), up 5.5% from 287 700 thousand cubic metres/day (10,155,200 thousand cubic feet/day) in March 1978.

For further information, order the March issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact George Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile, May 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 4,726 short tons (4 287 t) or 9,132,111 square feet (848 401 m²) of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in May compared to 4,395 short tons (3 987 t) or 8,662,569 square feet (804 779 m²) in May 1978.

For further information, order the May issue of *Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles* (47-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact G. Elliot (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Employment, Earnings and Hours, Advance Data

April 1979

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Employment Index Number									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Apr. 1979f	Mar. 1979p	Feb. 1979p	Jan. 1979r	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Apr. 1979f	Mar. 1979p	Feb. 1979p	Jan. 1979r
	1961=100									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	62.0	63.3	67.5	68.5	59.9	61.9	85.6	81.6	80.4	81.3
Mining, including milling	116.8	118.7	117.5	117.3	111.5	115.3	121.0	121.2	118.6	118.0
Manufacturing	129.7	128.5	128.0	127.3	125.5	124.8	130.9	130.3	131.2	130.6
Durable Goods	144.3	143.0	142.7	141.6	137.9	137.2	145.4	144.6	145.3	144.0
Non-durable Goods	117.8	116.8	116.1	115.7	115.4	114.7	119.1	118.9	119.6	119.5
Construction	88.8	83.8	81.1	82.2	94.2	89.2	95.1	95.7	95.3	95.7
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	131.6	130.7	130.5	130.8	129.3	127.5	133.6	134.4	134.3	135.2
Trade	175.6	174.2	173.5	176.0	171.7	170.3	176.3	176.3	176.4	176.5
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	203.7	203.8	203.1	202.5	197.2	197.0	204.8	204.5	204.2	203.8
Service	263.4	261.9	258.4	256.4	255.2	252.8	266.5	267.9	267.7	266.4
Industrial Composite	146.8	145.6	144.8	144.9	143.1	142.0	149.3	149.2	149.3	149.0
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	131.3	127.7	127.8	127.8	123.1	121.5	138.5	137.4	137.0	136.4
Newfoundland	125.6	120.7	122.0	120.7	111.7	111.5	135.4	133.6	132.1	133.0
Prince Edward Island	152.9	144.3	142.0	142.4	148.9	136.8	165.4	165.2	162.7	164.1
Nova Scotia	135.8	132.4	131.5	131.2	126.6	124.4	139.4	138.5	137.7	136.3
New Brunswick	127.8	125.0	125.8	127.1	124.6	123.2	136.9	135.4	136.7	137.2
Quebec	126.2	124.9	124.5	124.7	123.9	122.9	128.6	128.4	128.6	128.3
Ontario	151.9	150.7	150.2	150.3	148.7	147.5	153.6	153.7	153.7	153.6
Prairie Region	164.8	164.9	163.0	163.3	158.4	156.9	168.2	169.3	168.1	168.1
Manitoba	124.0	124.1	122.8	122.8	122.5	120.8	126.1	127.7	126.9	126.4
Saskatchewan	143.6	142.9	140.8	140.9	138.9	137.4	147.3	148.2	146.3	146.7
Alberta	207.0	207.5	205.2	205.9	196.0	194.7	211.3	212.3	210.9	212.1
British Columbia	176.0	175.2	172.1	171.7	172.6	172.3	176.6	176.0	176.2	177.7
Yukon	173.3	170.7	166.5	165.7	189.4	184.0	179.5	177.8	178.7	180.6
Northwest Territories	152.5	150.2	147.0	146.1	148.5	151.1	155.6	155.2	156.8	157.2
Canada	146.8	145.6	144.8	144.9	143.1	142.0	149.3	149.2	149.3	149.0

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Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Apr. 1979f	Mar. 1979p	Feb. 1979p	Jan. 1979r	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Apr. 1979f	Mar. 1979p	Feb. 1979p	Jan. 1979r
	dollars									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	353.96	360.17	352.93	363.30	336.06	343.90	338.26	339.85	329.63	352.34
Mining, including milling	416.87	415.66	409.30	406.81	368.14	369.83	417.00	411.34	404.29	401.39
Manufacturing	306.90	305.27	302.93	300.84	282.21	280.77	305.19	303.48	301.00	300.30
Durable Goods	327.17	324.64	321.99	321.24	302.34	300.47	325.87	323.15	320.01	322.63
Non-durable Goods	286.87	286.02	284.00	280.68	262.77	261.74	285.27	284.06	281.94	279.53
Construction	413.38	410.50	401.52	393.23	383.33	379.66	413.96	412.23	402.04	398.65
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	332.06	329.91	329.59	328.50	308.07	307.89	331.36	329.28	327.56	325.73
Trade	217.27	213.90	209.83	207.77	199.39	198.58	217.01	214.91	211.67	210.98
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	265.60	265.73	260.77	259.90	245.07	243.74	263.39	261.49	260.30	260.47
Service	189.61	188.98	187.07	186.63	177.10	178.13	190.16	188.81	187.82	186.00
Industrial Composite	282.72	280.76	277.86	276.08	261.13	260.27	282.64	280.62	277.78	277.16
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	248.94	250.11	247.34	246.29	225.48	227.13	247.70	247.76	245.67	243.56
Newfoundland	266.97	270.99	266.89	264.55	238.64	239.61	268.07	268.57	263.75	261.05
Prince Edward Island	209.66	210.73	206.85	206.18	191.57	195.86
Nova Scotia	240.32	239.95	236.64	235.68	220.04	220.12	240.27	240.02	236.26	234.72
New Brunswick	252.59	253.91	252.47	252.14	227.71	231.35	250.56	249.15	248.15	246.52
Quebec	280.27	277.46	275.61	272.71	257.91	256.24	280.61	277.96	275.39	273.81
Ontario	281.33	278.66	276.53	274.68	260.87	259.76	280.99	278.55	276.78	276.28
Prairie Region	279.34	279.43	274.79	273.90	256.42	256.89	280.10	279.26	274.52	274.81
Manitoba	253.18	252.72	249.04	249.92	235.33	234.90	254.17	253.13	250.37	252.19
Saskatchewan	267.94	266.74	262.34	260.09	244.31	243.83	268.58	267.92	264.70	262.96
Alberta	295.51	296.19	290.99	289.55	270.77	271.88	296.31	295.60	288.82	289.35
British Columbia	317.77	315.60	310.10	309.53	295.34	293.94	317.45	317.54	311.75	312.15
Yukon	371.96	366.74	354.78	373.30	355.42	360.49
Northwest Territories	347.52	340.31	331.41	327.66	299.47	296.25
Canada	282.72	280.76	277.86	276.08	261.13	260.27	282.64	280.62	277.78	277.16

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Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Hours and Average Hourly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Apr. 1979f	Mar. 1979p	Feb. 1979p	Jan. 1979r	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Apr. 1979f	Mar. 1979p	Feb. 1979p	Jan. 1979r
					number					
Average Weekly Hours:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	41.1	41.7	41.2	41.6	40.0	40.6	41.5	41.6	40.6	41.2
Manufacturing	38.9	39.1	39.0	39.0	38.9	38.6	38.8	39.0	38.7	39.2
Durable Goods	39.8	39.9	39.7	39.8	39.8	39.6	39.7	39.7	39.5	40.1
Non-durable Goods	38.0	38.3	38.3	38.1	38.0	37.6	37.9	38.2	38.1	38.2
Construction	39.0	38.8	37.9	37.4	38.6	38.3	39.2	39.1	38.5	38.7
Building	37.4	37.6	36.7	36.3	37.5	36.8	37.3	37.7	36.9	37.0
Engineering	42.6	41.8	41.3	40.4	40.9	41.6	43.5	42.0	42.1	42.3
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	38.0	39.1	38.6	38.2	37.9	37.6	37.5	39.2	38.1	37.8
Quebec	39.1	39.3	39.4	39.1	39.1	38.9	39.0	39.1	39.2	39.1
Ontario	39.6	39.7	39.6	39.5	39.6	39.2	39.4	39.6	39.4	39.9
Prairie Region	37.4	37.6	37.2	37.5	37.6	37.7	37.3	37.3	37.1	37.5
British Columbia	36.6	36.6	36.6	37.0	36.3	36.0	36.5	36.6	36.3	36.6
					dollars					
Average Hourly Earnings:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	9.57	9.49	9.40	9.30	8.53	8.56	9.59	9.42	9.36	9.25
Manufacturing	7.32	7.24	7.18	7.15	6.72	6.72	7.31	7.22	7.17	7.15
Durable Goods	7.76	7.68	7.62	7.60	7.16	7.14	7.76	7.69	7.62	7.60
Non-durable Goods	6.82	6.75	6.69	6.64	6.24	6.26	6.81	6.72	6.69	6.63
Construction	10.96	10.93	10.90	10.78	10.21	10.19	10.92	10.85	10.75	10.64
Building	11.05	10.99	11.00	10.89	10.08	10.06	11.13	11.03	10.99	10.88
Engineering	10.76	10.82	10.66	10.49	10.45	10.43	10.56	10.51	10.26	10.23
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	6.63	6.69	6.66	6.65	6.07	6.17	6.58	6.53	6.53	6.52
Quebec	6.65	6.58	6.56	6.51	6.09	6.09	6.67	6.60	6.56	6.51
Ontario	7.41	7.30	7.23	7.20	6.80	6.79	7.39	7.28	7.22	7.23
Prairie Region	7.33	7.24	7.13	7.11	6.75	6.71	7.33	7.31	7.19	7.17
British Columbia	9.49	9.39	9.34	9.31	8.71	8.73	9.54	9.41	9.36	9.26

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Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Apr. 1979p	Mar. 1979r	Not Seasonally Adjusted % change	Jan.-Apr. 1979p	Jan.-Apr. 1978	% change
	(\$ millions)			(\$ millions)		
Newfoundland	71.8	66.9	7.3	257.1	207.8	23.7
Nova Scotia	255.1	263.5	-3.2	986.5	830.2	18.8
New Brunswick	251.6	259.6	-3.1	986.4	685.1	44.0
Quebec	3,129.9	3,285.0	-4.7	12,440.8	10,337.7	20.3
Ontario	6,064.2	6,686.5	-9.3	24,254.7	19,880.7	22.0
Manitoba	313.6	333.6	-6.0	1,213.9	1,014.4	19.7
Saskatchewan	149.4	160.7	-7.0	601.1	463.1	29.8
Alberta	663.3	735.2	-9.8	2,656.5	2,205.3	20.5
British Columbia	1,254.6	1,274.7	-1.6	4,740.9	3,785.4	25.2
Canada*	12,169.0	13,080.9	-7.0	48,193.7	39,450.8	22.2

*Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding.

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, April 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates show manufacturers' shipments in April 1979, seasonally adjusted, were valued at \$12,093.1 million, down 3.1% from the revised March level of \$12,482.8 million. Shipments of durable goods dropped 5.8% to \$5,451.8 million from \$5,785.7 million — most of the decrease in the transportation equipment industries — while non-durable goods shipments decreased 0.8% to \$6,641.7 million from \$6,697.1 million.

New orders in all manufacturing industries, seasonally adjusted, were valued at \$12,193.5 million, down 5.7% from the revised March estimate of \$12,929.7 million. New orders for durable goods fell 10.6% to \$5,552.2 million from \$6,213.0 million — again mostly in the transportation equipment industries — while non-durable goods new orders dropped 1.1% to \$6,641.3 million from \$6,716.7 million.

Seasonally-adjusted unfilled orders in all manufacturing industries were valued at \$14,991.4 million, up 0.7% from \$14,891.0 million (revised) in March.

Total inventory owned, seasonally adjusted, was valued at \$22,290.0 million, 0.2% lower than the revised March level of \$22,329.4 million. Total inventory held, valued at a seasonally-adjusted \$23,210.8 million in April, was fractionally lower than the revised March estimate of \$23,215.8 million with raw materials down 0.3%, goods in process up 0.4% and finished products fractionally higher.

The seasonally-adjusted ratio of total inventory owned to shipments in April 1979 was 1.84:1, up from 1.79:1 (revised) in March. The seasonally-adjusted finished products to shipments ratio was 0.61:1 compared to the revised March estimate of 0.60:1.

Not adjusted for seasonal variation, the preliminary estimate of the value of manufacturers' shipments in April at \$12,169.0 million was 7.0% lower than the revised March estimate of \$13,080.9 million. Cumula-

tive shipments for the first four months of 1979 at an estimated \$48,193.7 million showed an increase of 22.2% from the January-April 1978 figure of \$39,450.8 million.

Data users should note that after June 29, 1979, it will not be possible to retrieve the Shipments, Inventories and Orders series from the CANSIM main base for about four weeks while the annual revisions and adjustments, dating back to January 1976, are undertaken. The revised values for all series will be available at the time of release of the preliminary estimates for May 1979.

For further information, order the April issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries

(Based on 1975 Census of Manufacturers Benchmarks)

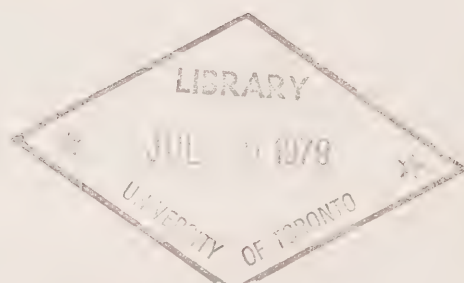
	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Apr. 1979p	Mar. 1979r	Feb. 1979	Apr. 1978
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total	12,169.0	13,080.9	11,511.8	10,403.8
Non-durable	6,549.6	6,863.9	6,222.2	5,522.5
Durable	5,619.4	6,217.0	5,289.7	4,881.3
New Orders: Total	12,384.0	13,584.6	11,930.7	10,685.7
Non-durable	6,583.1	6,931.8	6,246.8	5,585.3
Durable	5,800.9	6,652.8	5,683.9	5,100.4
Unfilled Orders: Total	15,318.5	15,103.5	14,599.8	11,516.7
Non-durable	1,971.3	1,937.8	1,869.9	1,509.8
Durable	13,347.2	13,165.6	12,729.9	10,006.8
Inventory Owned: Total	22,599.4	22,737.5	22,065.5	19,568.8
Inventory Held: Total	23,498.9	23,620.9	23,043.7	20,619.5
Raw materials	9,389.5	9,470.1	9,226.1	8,207.1
Goods in process	6,368.7	6,367.9	6,273.7	5,454.3
Finished Products	7,740.6	7,782.8	7,543.9	6,958.1
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Shipments: Total	12,093.1	12,482.8	12,220.5	10,419.5
Non-durable	6,641.7	6,697.1	6,552.6	5,610.4
Durable	5,451.4	5,785.7	5,667.9	4,809.1
New Orders: Total	12,193.5	12,929.7	12,486.6	10,761.5
Non-durable	6,641.3	6,716.7	6,564.6	5,647.8
Durable	5,552.2	6,213.0	5,922.0	5,113.9
Unfilled Orders: Total	14,991.4	14,891.0	14,444.1	11,457.5
Non-durable	1,918.7	1,919.1	1,899.5	1,474.0
Durable	13,072.7	12,971.9	12,544.6	9,983.5
Inventory Owned: Total	22,290.0	22,329.4	21,745.8	19,325.4
Inventory Held: Total	23,210.8	23,215.8	22,727.0	20,398.2
Raw materials	9,463.5	9,492.8	9,240.2	8,308.6
Goods in process	6,314.8	6,291.7	6,156.0	5,416.6
Finished products	7,432.5	7,431.3	7,330.8	6,673.0
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	1.84	1.79	1.78	1.85
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.61	0.60	0.60	0.64

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PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

- 21-001 (30¢/\$3) **Farm Cash Receipts**, January to April 1979
- 32-001 (15¢/\$1.50) **Monthly Production of Soft Drinks**, May 1979
- 32-022 (15¢/\$1.50) **Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products**, May 1979
- 56-202 (35¢) **Telephone Statistics**, 1978
- 63-008 (15¢/\$1.50) **Wholesale Trade**, April 1979
- 64-001 (70¢/\$7) **Building Permits**, March 1979

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- 13-003 (\$1.40 per year) **Science Statistics**, Vol. 3, No. 6, Federal Government Activities in the Social Sciences, 1971-72 to 1979-80

Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

May 1979 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	May 1979	April 1979	May 1978	% Change	
				May 79/ Apr. 79	May 79/ May 78
Canada, Total	210.7	206.7	190.8	2.0	10.4
Materials	204.5	203.3	181.8	0.6	12.5
Labour	221.8	212.7	206.7	4.3	7.3
Atlantic Provinces, Total	220.7	215.7	197.7	2.3	11.6
Materials	204.8	202.6	182.9	1.1	12.0
Labour	248.4	238.4	223.5	4.2	11.1
Quebec, Total	213.6	211.7	197.6	0.9	8.1
Materials	212.3	211.5	190.0	0.3	11.7
Labour	216.2	212.0	212.0	1.9	1.9
Ontario, Total	204.0	199.5	182.7	2.3	11.7
Materials	199.5	197.6	176.5	1.0	13.0
Labour	211.8	202.7	193.3	4.5	9.6
Prairie Provinces, Total	220.7	215.7	200.9	2.3	9.9
Materials	206.1	205.5	185.1	0.3	11.3
Labour	249.0	235.4	231.6	5.8	7.5
British Columbia, Total	212.5	208.2	192.3	2.1	10.5
Materials	207.2	207.2	182.4	—	13.6
Labour	222.1	210.1	210.0	5.7	5.8

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G.A. John (613-995-5757), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Radio and Television Broadcasting, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary results indicate privately-owned radio broadcasting revenues for the year ended August 31, 1978 were up 13% from the previous fiscal year to \$308 million. Programming, technical, sales and administrative expenses rose 14% to \$257 million. Depreciation was \$10 million and interest expense was \$7 million. Other adjustments produced revenues of \$3 million. Net profit before tax was \$38 million compared with \$36 million in 1977.

Television broadcasting revenues increased 21% to \$399 million. Programming, technical, sales and administrative expenses rose 20% to \$305 million. Depreciation was \$15 million and interest expense \$8 million. Other adjustments produced income of \$10 million. Net profit before tax was estimated at \$81 million, an increase of 33% over the preceding year.

In addition, CBC operations produced revenues from sale of air-time of \$74 million, up from \$66 million. The net cost of operating the CBC rose to \$483 million in the year ended August 31, 1978 from \$411 million.

Further information will be included in the 1978 issue of *Radio and Television Broadcasting* (56-204, \$1.05), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Sales of Cement, May 1979 — Advance Information

Advance information on sales of cement as reported by Canadian producers for the month of May 1979 is now available.

For further information, contact Gordon McWade (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Cable Television, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary results show cable television revenues for the year ended August 31, 1978 were \$272 million, up 17% from \$233 million in the previous fiscal year.

Programming, technical, sales and administrative expenses increased 19% to \$151 million from \$127 million. Depreciation was estimated at \$49 million, interest at \$23 million and other income was \$5 million. Pre-tax profits totalled \$53 million compared to \$45 million in the preceding year, an increase of 18%.

Further information will be included in the 1978 issue of *Cable Television* (56-205, \$1.05), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

International Air Charter Statistics, 1978 — Advance Information

International Air Charter Statistics for 1978 are now available.

For further information, contact the Aviation Statistics Centre (819-997-1986), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory Services staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island by telephoning 1-800-565-7192. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, June 1, 1979 — Advance Information

Stocks of fruits, frozen and in preservatives, in storages and factories on June 1 totalled 33.6 million pounds compared with 26.7 million last year.

Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 76.5 million pounds (63.0 million in 1978).

For further information, order the June issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, 30¢/\$3), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-995-4859), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended June 23, 1979 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for the week ended June 23 was 318,741 short tons (289 157 t), a decrease of 2.3% from the preceding week's total of 326,120 short tons (295 851 t). The comparable week's total in 1978 was 299,197 short tons (271 427 t).

The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 174.0 in the latest week, 178.0 a week earlier and 163.3 a year earlier.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

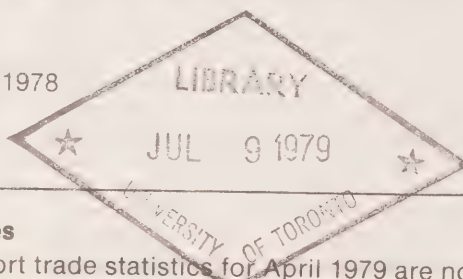
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Exports and Imports by Commodities

Commodity-country export and import trade statistics for April 1979 are now available in advance of the regular publications. For information, contact G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

- 26-222 (35¢) Potash Mines, 1977
- 32-225 (70¢) Tobacco Products Industries, 1977
- 41-208 (70¢) Hardware, Tool and Cutlery Manufacturers, 1977
- 61-215 (70 cents in Canada, 85 cents in other countries) Domestic and Foreign Control of Forestry, Mining and Manufacturing Capital Expenditures in Canada, 1977-1979
- 63-007 (30¢/\$3) New Motor Vehicle Sales, April 1979

Capital Expenditures, Manufacturing, Mining and Forestry Industries, by Country of Control

Industry Group	Year	Canadian Control			Foreign Control			Total*		
		Value	Year to Year Change	Share of Total	Value	Year to Year Change	Share of Total	Value	Year to Year Change	Share of Total
		\$ Millions	%	%	\$ Millions	%	%	\$ Millions	%	%
Manufacturing	1977	3,147.3	4.9	51.8	2,933.2	20.0	48.2	6,080.7	11.3	100.0
	1978	3,363.3	6.9	53.9	2,874.2	-2.0	46.1	6,239.8	2.6	100.0
	1979	3,516.4	4.6	51.7	3,280.3	14.1	48.3	6,797.9	8.9	100.0
Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells	1977	1,308.6	..	33.9	2,556.3	..	66.1	3,864.9	..	100.0
	1978	1,373.8	5.0	36.2	2,418.5	-5.4	63.8	3,792.2	-1.9	100.0
	1979	1,494.3	8.8	33.9	2,912.2	20.4	66.1	4,406.0	16.2	100.0
Forestry	1977	131.5	..	59.6	89.0	..	40.4	220.5	..	100.0
	1978	147.0	11.8	62.3	88.9	-0.1	37.7	235.8	6.9	100.0
	1979	151.3	2.9	58.2	108.8	22.4	41.8	259.9	10.2	100.0

* Previously released in *Private and Public Investment in Canada, Outlook 1979 in April 1979* (catalogue 61-205). Slight discrepancies are due to rounding.

.. Not available.

Domestic and Foreign Control of Capital Expenditures in Canada, 1977-79

Foreign-controlled establishments show an increase of 14.1% in their spending intentions for 1979 to \$3,280.3 million and account for 48.3% of total projected manufacturing capital expenditures of \$6,797.8 million. Expenditures by Canadian-controlled establishments are expected to rise by 4.6% and the over-all increase in expenditures for both groups is 8.9%.

Similarly in mining, foreign-controlled establishments plan an increase of 20.4% in their expenditures to \$2,912.2 million in 1979 and account for 66.1% of the expected total spending of \$4,406.0 million. Capital expenditures of Canadian-controlled firms are expected to rise 8.8% and the over-all increase for both groups will be 16.2%.

In forestry, foreign- and Canadian-controlled firms account for 41.8% and 58.2%, respectively, of expected total capital expenditures. However, the Canadian-controlled firms plan a modest increase of 2.9% over 1978 to \$151.3 million in comparison with the increase of 22.4% to \$108.8 million in 1979 by foreign-controlled firms.

The foregoing data are based on today's release of *Domestic and Foreign Control of Forestry, Mining and Manufacturing Capital Expenditures in Canada, 1977-1979* (catalogue 61-215, 70¢ in Canada, 85¢ elsewhere), available from Publications Distribution, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

This report contains data on capital and repair expenditures for the years 1977 (actual), 1978 (preliminary), and 1979 (intentions) broken down by country of control (United States, "other foreign" and Canada) for the major industry groups of the forestry, mining and manufacturing sectors at the Canada level. A second tabulation provides a provincial distribution giving a country of control breakdown for each of the three sectors. These data represent a further analysis

of the capital expenditure statistics released in *Private and Public Investment in Canada, Outlook 1979 in April 1979*.

The report was prepared jointly by the Construction Division and the Financial Flows and Multinational Enterprises Division of Statistics Canada. Enquiries relating to the report should be directed to Duncan Lusick (613-995-9013), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Road Motor Vehicles: Fuel Sales, 1978 — Advance Information

Total net sales of gasoline in Canada during 1978 were reported at 7,099 million gallons (32 273 000 000 L), down 3% from 7,320 million gallons (33 277 000 000 L) in 1977. Net sales of diesel fuel rose 1% to 1,056 million gallons (4 801 000 000 L) in 1978.

Gross sales of gasoline, including purchases for off-road use, totalled 8,119 million gallons (36 909 000 000 L), up 3% from 7,869 million gallons (35 773 000 000 L) in 1977.

For further information, contact M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6 or order the 1978 issue of *Road Motor Vehicles — Fuel Sales* (53-218, 70¢).

Capital Expenditures, Manufacturing*, by Province and by Country of Control

Province	Year	Canadian Control			Foreign Control			Total**		
		Value	Year to Year Change	Share of Total	Value	Year to Year Change	Share of Total	Value	Year to Year Change	Share of Total
		\$ Millions	%	%	\$ Millions	%	%	Millions	%	%
Newfoundland	1977	28.5	6.6	68.8	12.9	26.5	31.2	41.5	2.0	100.0
	1978	27.4	-3.9	64.0	15.2	17.8	36.0	42.8	3.1	100.0
	1979	x	x	x	x	x	x	78.7	83.9	100.0
Prince Edward Island	1977	x	x	x	x	x	x	11.1	131.3	100.0
	1978	x	x	x	x	x	x	5.4	-51.4	100.0
	1979	3.9	x	83.0	0.4	x	17.0	4.7	-13.0	100.0
Nova Scotia	1977	42.2	9.0	38.2	68.1	53.7	61.8	110.5	33.1	100.0
	1978	49.9	18.2	52.0	45.5	-32.6	48.0	96.0	-13.1	100.0
	1979	61.2	22.6	51.0	58.8	28.1	49.0	120.1	25.1	100.0
New Brunswick	1977	95.0	6.4	81.4	21.5	-56.9	18.6	116.7	-16.2	100.0
	1978	95.2	0.2	70.8	39.0	81.4	29.2	134.4	15.2	100.0
	1979	100.3	5.4	70.3	42.5	9.0	29.7	142.9	6.3	100.0
Quebec	1977	743.6	9.3	62.9	438.0	-2.9	37.1	1,181.7	4.4	100.0
	1978	922.0	24.0	66.0	475.8	8.6	34.0	1,398.0	18.3	100.0
	1979	960.5	4.2	62.5	575.9	21.0	37.5	1,536.4	9.9	100.0
Ontario	1977	1,617.7	-3.0	48.2	1,741.5	29.1	51.8	3,359.4	11.4	100.0
	1978	1,513.5	-6.4	48.0	1,639.6	-5.9	52.0	3,153.9	-6.1	100.0
	1979	1,507.6	-0.4	45.0	1,840.1	12.2	55.0	3,347.4	6.1	100.0
Manitoba	1977	44.4	-6.5	55.7	35.2	27.1	44.3	79.7	6.0	100.0
	1978	56.5	27.3	68.9	25.1	-28.7	31.1	82.0	2.9	100.0
	1979	62.0	9.7	64.5	34.0	35.5	35.5	96.3	17.4	100.0
Saskatchewan	1977	58.5	13.6	78.0	16.5	-49.7	22.0	75.2	10.8	100.0
	1978	40.7	-30.4	79.7	10.3	-37.6	20.3	51.1	-32.0	100.0
	1979	50.9	25.1	75.0	16.7	62.1	25.0	67.9	32.9	100.0
Alberta	1977	192.0	12.6	37.6	318.3	11.3	62.4	510.5	11.8	100.0
	1978	278.1	44.8	40.6	406.0	27.6	59.4	684.5	34.1	100.0
	1979	250.6	-9.9	36.9	427.9	5.4	63.1	678.9	-0.8	100.0
British Columbia	1977	321.5	45.9	54.3	271.0	27.5	45.7	592.6	36.9	100.0
	1978	376.2	17.0	63.7	213.9	-21.1	36.3	590.5	-0.4	100.0
	1979	458.6	21.9	63.6	262.7	22.8	36.4	722.3	22.3	100.0
Yukon and Northwest Territories	1977	x	x	x	x	x	x	1.8	80.0	100.0
	1978	x	x	x	x	x	x	1.2	-33.3	100.0
	1979	x	x	x	x	x	x	2.3	91.6	100.0
Canada	1977	3,147.3	4.9	51.8	2,933.2	20.0	48.2	6,080.7	11.3	100.0
	1978	3,363.3	6.9	53.9	2,874.2	-2.0	46.1	6,239.8	2.6	100.0
	1979	3,516.4	4.6	51.7	3,280.3	14.1	48.3	6,797.9	8.9	100.0

* Previously released in *Private and Public Investment in Canada, Outlook 1979*, in March 1979 in the *Daily* and on CANSIM (also catalogue 61-205).

** Slight discrepancies due to rounding.

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Feed Price Indexes, May 1979 — Advance Information

Feed price indexes, Canada and five geographical regions, are now available for May 1979.

For further information, contact the Information Unit (613-995-5738), Industrial Prices Section, Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Housing Starts, in Centres of 10,000 Population and Over (Dwelling Units)

May 1979 and 1978

	1978					1979				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	80	6	25	—	111	129	—	36	—	165
Prince Edward Island	6	—	—	12	18	7	—	—	—	7
Nova Scotia	191	4	—	230	425	208	43	25	32	308
New Brunswick	156	2	—	8	166	150	—	—	—	150
Quebec	2,626	375	58	1,713	4,772	2,193	357	7	1,714	4,271
Ontario	1,908	915	740	1,453	5,016	2,277	851	332	1,335	4,795
Manitoba	313	130	16	371	830	143	16	22	183	364
Saskatchewan	377	30	—	375	782	420	32	5	516	973
Alberta	1,413	230	447	383	2,473	1,207	274	217	1,043	2,741
British Columbia	1,293	122	417	16	1,848	1,162	34	169	598	1,963
Canada Unadjusted	8,363	1,814	1,703	4,561	16,441	7,896	1,607	813	5,421	15,737
	multiples					multiples				
Canada, adjusted annual rate (000's)	72.5		82.2		154.7	68.3		80.2		148.5
Canada Cumulative	23,892	6,898	7,054	31,714	69,558	22,900	4,872	4,589	20,603	52,964
Newfoundland	141	28	35	31	235	216	2	37	—	255
Prince Edward Island	18	—	—	12	30	17	—	—	134	151
Nova Scotia	609	20	18	581	1,228	488	60	47	368	963
New Brunswick	303	8	—	98	409	319	2	—	6	327
Quebec	6,149	904	153	8,886	16,092	6,094	1,234	78	5,062	12,468
Ontario	5,219	2,891	2,177	8,985	19,272	5,421	2,068	1,293	4,840	13,622
Manitoba	1,020	591	578	3,248	5,437	476	110	248	1,298	2,132
Saskatchewan	1,023	254	16	1,681	2,974	1,157	168	29	1,648	3,002
Alberta	5,062	1,478	2,801	5,273	14,614	4,684	1,001	2,010	5,031	12,726
British Columbia	4,348	724	1,276	2,919	9,267	4,028	227	847	2,216	7,318

For further information, order the May issue of *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact J.P. Delisle (613-995-8213), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Key Economic Series, July 1979

During the coming month, the release of Key Economic Series data is expected to be in accordance with the schedule outlined below. Where a range of dates is given for a series, this represents the period within which publication of the data can be reasonably expected, the variability taking account of circumstances peculiar to each series. Any range may be exceeded on rare occasions, for reasons unpredictable at this time.

June 27 to July 4: Unemployment Insurance Statistics, month of April;

July 5: Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, month of May;

July 5 to 6: Industry Selling Price Index, month of May;

July 10: Labour Force Survey, month of June;

July 13: The Consumer Price Index, month of June;

July 13 to 18: Wholesale Trade, month of May;

July 16 to 23: Index of Industrial Production, month of May;

July 18 to 24: Retail Trade, month of May;

July 23 to August 2: Building Permits, month of May;

July 24 to 30: Real Domestic Product, month of May;

July 24 to 31: Inventories, Shipments and Orders, month of May;

July 25 to 31: Employment, Earnings and Hours, month of May;

July 26 to 28: Labour Income, month of May;

July 30 to August 3: Unemployment Insurance Statistics, month of May.

It should be noted that *Building Permits* for April was released in the *Daily* on June 28.

Notice of advance information availability: *Financial Flows*, 1st Quarter 1979, advance information II to be released between July 12 and 19; *Field Crop Reporting Series*, No. 10, Telegraphic Crop Report — Prairie Provinces, to be released July 12 at 3 p.m. E.D.S.T.; *Field Crop Reporting Series*, No. 11, Telegraphic Crop Report — Canada, to be released July 26 at 3 p.m. E.D.S.T.

It should be noted that the August schedule of Key Economic Series will appear in the *Daily* and on CANSIM on July 27, 1979. The schedule of Key Economic Series is now available on CANSIM, and can be retrieved by using the command "DATES". The schedule will be issued once each month as noted above.

For any enquiry concerning the release of these series, contact Henri Sarrazin (613-992-1566), Production Planning and Scheduling Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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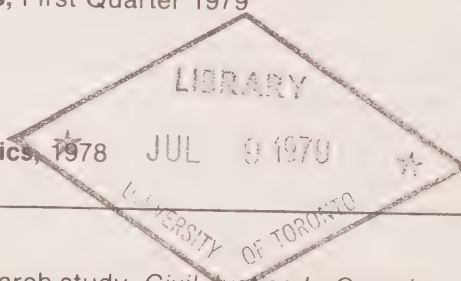
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Study on Civil Justice In Canada

Now available is a Statistics Canada research study, *Civil Justice In Canada*. Further details will follow in Friday's *Daily* or contact Dr. Paul Reed (613-995-0709), Justice Statistics Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.



PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

22-002E (\$5.60 for series of 20) **Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 9, Telegraphic Crop Report — Canada** — Available June 28, 1979, at 3 p.m.

45-002 (40¢/\$4) **Coal and Coke Statistics**, March 1979

46-210 (70¢) **Paint and Varnish Manufacturers**, 1977

51-207 (\$1.05) **International Air Charter Statistics**, 1978

56-003 (30¢/\$3) **Radio Broadcasting**, February 1979

72-004 (\$1.05/\$4.20) **Federal Government Employment**, January-March 1979

Service Bulletin:

87-001 (\$1.40 per year) **Culture Statistics**, Vol. 2, No. 5, Book Publishing: A Cultural Analysis, 1977

Note to Data Users

Canada-United States trade in automotive products, shown in this special release, is measured by comparing the import statistics of each country. U.S. statistics on imports from Canada (converted to Canadian dollars) are used to represent Canadian exports because this enables a more exact comparison of the two trade flows. This greater exactness results from several factors. Customs revenue is collected on the basis of import documentation and consequently, the filing and scrutiny of documents is more rigorous. Also the availability of an import tariff code enables a more precise and detailed commodity classification: for example, items such as tires, bearings, radios, fasteners, hardware, fabric, glass, metal materials, lighting fixtures, ignition equipment, etc., which can be related to automobiles or other commodities can be identified as automotive by using the tariff code. As a result, the data in this release, for automotive trade with the United States, differ significantly from data released in all other Statistics Canada trade reports such as the *Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade* (Daily Bulletin, Catalogue 11-001E) and the monthly *Summary of External Trade* (Catalogue 65-001). Data in these trade reports give a reasonable and more timely approximation of automotive trade; however, they should not be expected to agree precisely with this release.

The data published in Table 1 of this release also appear in the Annual Report of the President to the (U.S.) Congress on the operation of the Automotive Products Trade Act of 1965, and are accepted in both countries as the official measure of trade in automotive products.

Exports to other countries (excluding the United States) are measured using Canadian export statistics, and not the counterpart country import statistics.

It should also be noted that statistics on imports of parts from the U.S. include parts destined for export to countries other than the United States in the form of knocked-down vehicles.

Foreign Trade in Automotive Products, First Quarter 1979 — Published only in the *Daily and Infomat*

Trade with the United States

Automotive product exports to the United States for the first quarter of 1979 at \$3.47 billion were 28% higher than the first quarter of 1978. This compared with a larger increase for imports of 38% to \$3.81 billion. As a result, the deficit on automotive trade with the U.S. for the first quarter of 1979 was \$336 million compared with a deficit of \$62 million for the first quarter of 1978. The deficit for the whole of 1978 was \$564 million.

The most important contributing factor to the deterioration of the first quarter balance compared with the first quarter of 1978 was trade in automotive parts, while the balance on passenger cars showed significant improvement. Exports of cars in the first quarter of 1979 were up 28% over the year-earlier period to \$1.33 billion, compared to an 18% increase in the level of imports to \$768 million. This led to a \$173 million increase in the surplus on cars to \$562 million. Exports of trucks and other motor vehicles were up 15% to \$713 million, much less than the 69% increase in imports to \$462 million, causing the surplus to decline \$98 million to \$251 million. The surplus on vehicles as a whole was up \$75 million to \$813 million. Parts exports showed a percentage gain only slightly less than imports — exports advancing 37% to \$1.38 billion while imports were up 40% to \$2.54 billion — however the larger base value of imports caused a large \$353 million increase in the deficit to \$1.16 billion. Exports of tires and tubes increased 37% to \$52 million along with a 30% increase in imports to \$43 million and as a result the surplus increased \$4 million to \$9 million.

Trade with Other Countries

Exports of automotive products to countries other than the U.S. were up 10.4% to \$255 million in the first quarter of 1979 compared to the first quarter a year earlier, while imports were 18% higher at \$364 million. The stronger growth in imports than exports caused the deficit to increase \$31 million to \$109 million.

Trade in cars, trucks and other motor vehicles, and tires and tubes contributed to the worsening in the first quarter deficit while the balance on parts trade showed significant improvement. Exports of cars fell 10% to \$94 million compared to an increase in imports of 2.5% to \$208 million; this increased the deficit by \$15 million to \$114 million. Exports of trucks and other motor vehicles declined 41% to \$47 million, while imports increased 62% to \$21 million; thus the surplus declined by \$40 million to \$26 million. In contrast to vehicles, parts exports more than doubled to \$107 million with imports up 34% to \$82 million, resulting in a turnaround from a deficit in the first quarter of 1978 to a \$25 million surplus in the first quarter of 1979. The deficit on tires and tubes worsened by \$20 million to \$50 million due to stronger import than export growth. (It should be noted that re-exports are not distributed by category in table 2 and hence the trade balances quoted are slightly understated except at the total level.)

For further information, contact David Caldwell (613-995-6115), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Canada-United States Trade in Automotive Products

	Annual		1st Quarter		Change Between Quarters	
	1977	1978	1978	1979		
	(\$ millions)					%
United States imports from Canada						
Cars	4,032	4,723	1,039	1,330	291	28.0
Trucks and other motor vehicles	1,964	2,557	622	713	91	14.6
Parts	3,721	4,518	1,009	1,377	368	36.5
Tires and tubes	144	192	38	52	14	36.8
Total	9,861	11,990	2,708	3,472	764	28.2
Canadian imports from the U.S.						
Cars	2,834	3,015	650	768	118	18.2
Trucks and other motor vehicles	1,118	1,322	273	462	189	69.2
Parts	6,848	8,087	1,814	2,535	721	39.7
Tires and tubes	153	130	33	43	10	30.3
Total	10,953	12,554	2,770	3,808	1,038	37.5
Balance						
Cars	1,198	1,708	389	562	173	—
Trucks and other motor vehicles	846	1,235	349	251	-98	—
Parts	-3,127	-3,569	-805	-1,158	-353	—
Tires and tubes	-9	62	5	9	4	—
Total	-1,092	-564	-62	-336	-274	—
Excluded: retroactive adjustments to values of imported parts for special tooling charges	244	190	76	—		

Table 2
Canada-Overseas Countries Trade in Automotive Products

	Annual		1st Quarter		Change Between Quarters	
	1977	1978	1978	1979		
	(\$ millions)					(%)
Canadian Exports						
Cars	344	459	104	94	-10	-9.6
Trucks and Other Motor Vehicles	270	251	79	47	-32	-40.5
Parts	195	314	44	107	63	143.2
Tires and tubes	7	11	2	3	1	50.0
Re-exports	10	9	2	4	2	100.0
Total	826	1,044	231	255	24	10.4
Canadian Imports						
Cars	532	803	203	208	5	2.5
Trucks and Other Motor Vehicles	60	92	13	21	8	61.5
Parts	236	262	61	82	21	34.4
Tires and tubes	110	146	32	53	21	65.6
Total	938	1,303	309	364	55	17.8
Balance						
Cars	-188	-344	-99	-114	-15	—
Trucks and Other Motor Vehicles	210	159	66	26	-40	—
Parts	-41	52	-17	25	42	—
Tires and tubes	-103	-135	-30	-50	-20	—
Re-exports	10	9	2	4	2	—
Total	-112	-259	-78	-109	-31	—

Building Permits

(million of dollars)

		1978					1979				
		Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total	Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total
Canada —	Feb.	350.6	47.5	140.6	84.8	623.5	307.2	53.6	196.4	68.2	625.4
Unadjusted	Mar.	572.8	55.2	246.0	84.6	958.6	604.2	102.5	307.6	95.8	1,110.1
	Apr.	713.2	72.2	276.0	114.1	1,175.5	680.9	120.6	209.6	84.2	1,095.3
Canada —	Feb.	593.9	84.2	173.7	119.6	971.4	522.4	93.9	241.1	95.8	953.2
Adjusted	Mar.	596.5	76.6	251.5	88.6	1,013.2	640.6	141.6	317.5	101.3	1,201.0
	Apr.	611.0	74.9	290.6	124.5	1,101.0	623.5	136.3	246.6	98.3	1,104.7
Canada Jan.-Apr.											
Unadjusted		1,916.0	222.9	778.8	377.7	3,295.4	1,860.8	324.5	869.4	314.6	3,369.3
Newfoundland		7.5	0.5	4.9	2.0	14.9	10.6	1.1	6.4	1.8	19.9
Prince Edward Island		8.3	1.8	1.8	2.5	14.4	13.6	1.9	2.0	0.1	17.6
Nova Scotia		46.2	1.3	9.3	27.3	84.1	47.2	11.9	26.1	12.2	97.4
New Brunswick		16.9	4.2	10.8	8.6	40.5	18.3	6.3	13.5	19.6	57.7
Quebec		398.5	37.3	101.9	72.2	609.9	418.9	61.6	110.7	42.7	633.9
Ontario		536.5	105.9	283.3	73.5	999.2	504.3	147.6	261.5	73.3	986.7
Manitoba		85.2	3.2	17.1	31.9	137.4	42.5	4.1	44.3	17.7	108.6
Saskatchewan		70.9	1.6	19.1	16.6	108.2	76.0	3.9	38.5	15.5	133.9
Alberta		453.6	42.9	210.3	103.5	810.3	447.6	26.8	239.8	78.9	793.1
British Columbia		287.3	23.7	117.0	39.0	467.0	278.2	58.8	125.0	52.6	514.6
N.W.T. and Yukon		5.1	0.5	3.3	0.6	9.5	3.6	0.5	1.6	0.2	5.9

Building Permits, April 1979 — Advance Information
Planned building construction reached a seasonally-adjusted level of \$1,104.7 million in April, down 8.0% from a revised \$1,201.0 million in March, but almost unchanged from the \$1,101.0 million recorded in April 1978.

Although the seasonally-adjusted value of residential permits issued by Canadian municipalities decreased 2.3% to \$623.5 million in April from \$640.6 million in March, the number of new dwelling units authorized at 15,970 was 13.8% higher than the March total of 14,035. During April, permits for new single-detached homes decreased to 8,305 from 8,950 in March but multiple dwellings rose to 7,665 units from 5,085.

Permits issued for non-residential building construction had a seasonally-adjusted value of \$481.2 million in April compared to the record level of \$560.4 million in March. Plans for new industrial installations continued at the high rate of \$136.3 million (\$141.6 million in March) but the value of new commercial projects decreased 22.3% to \$246.0 million in April from \$317.5 million in March. Publicly-initiated projects (schools, hospitals, welfare institutions and government administration buildings) were little changed at \$98.4 million (\$101.3 million in March).

For the four-month period ending April 30, the value of all building permits issued totalled \$3,369.3 million, up only 2.2% from \$3,295.4 million registered during the corresponding period of 1978, reflecting the weakness of residential construction (-2.9%). Non-residential permits rose 9.4% during the latest period, the industrial sector showed an increase of 45.6% and

the commercial sector a gain of 11.6%. Publicly-initiated projects decreased 16.1% in value.

For further information, order the April issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, 70¢/\$7), or contact J.P. Delisle (613-995-8215), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Livestock and Animal Products Statistics, 1978 — Advance Information

Advance information from the 1978 issue of the *Livestock and Animal Products Statistics* publication is now available and may be obtained by contacting Elizabeth A. Leckie (613-995-4853), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. The publication will be released at a later date.

Building Permits

April 1979

	Number of Dwelling Units			Value of Residential and Non-Residential Construction				
	Singles	Multiples	Total	Residen- tial	Indus- trial	Commer- cial (\$000)	Institu- tional and govern- mental	Total
Newfoundland	128	45	173	6,309	372	1,999	91	8,771
Prince Edward Island	164	12	176	6,038	807	773	4	7,622
Nova Scotia	435	81	516	18,644	5,315	2,101	2,781	28,841
New Brunswick	275	27	302	11,094	129	3,885	452	15,560
Quebec	3,026	1,830	4,856	170,047	22,735	32,868	13,740	239,390
Ontario	2,831	1,695	4,526	201,093	72,683	76,970	28,431	379,177
Manitoba	238	174	412	15,371	1,495	5,156	14,243	36,265
Saskatchewan	420	605	1,025	36,326	866	11,690	1,848	50,730
Alberta	1,542	1,425	2,967	130,866	6,309	52,188	9,760	199,123
British Columbia	1,530	378	1,908	83,728	9,850	21,625	12,799	128,002
Yukon	27	—	27	1,224	1	384	1	1,610
Northwest Territories	6	—	6	199	—	5	—	204
Canada — Unadjusted	10,622	6,272	16,894	680,939	120,562	209,644	84,150	1,095,295
Canada — Adjusted	8,305	7,665	15,970	623,497	136,269	246,573	98,368	1,104,707
Metropolitan Areas	5,302	4,438	9,740	403,133	78,694	136,883	50,444	669,154
Calgary	489	507	996	47,715	557	13,256	15	61,543
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	87	40	127	4,640	272	438	—	5,350
Edmonton	412	498	910	38,441	3,178	14,736	1,632	57,987
Halifax	134	36	170	7,243	2,374	1,123	2,569	13,309
Hamilton	168	34	202	9,423	1,257	2,002	6,213	18,895
Hull	48	5	53	2,602	138	992	4	3,736
Kitchener	51	58	109	3,574	779	1,402	238	5,993
London	25	—	25	1,370	339	30	84	1,823
Montreal	1,072	882	1,954	69,742	7,275	16,484	2,974	96,475
Oshawa	25	4	29	1,349	3,325	946	—	5,620
Ottawa	166	131	297	14,349	517	4,240	1,179	20,285
Quebec	397	192	589	23,122	2,262	5,285	749	31,418
Regina	130	314	444	13,886	28	1,957	237	16,108
St. Catharines-Niagara	112	7	119	5,634	1,010	3,163	452	10,259
Saint John	21	25	46	1,260	2	711	23	1,996
St. John's	52	40	92	3,369	270	1,119	16	4,774
Saskatoon	159	229	388	14,472	20	5,877	602	20,971
Sudbury	65	12	77	3,016	5	446	54	3,521
Thunder Bay	46	88	134	4,125	—	383	14	4,522
Toronto	721	1,004	1,725	79,171	13,748	44,125	10,727	147,771
Vancouver	586	41	627	29,976	2,362	9,749	6,992	49,079
Victoria	37	3	40	2,765	76	1,862	1,422	6,125
Windsor	171	114	285	11,370	37,948	2,547	7	51,872
Winnipeg	128	174	302	10,519	952	4,010	14,241	29,722

*Preliminary figures.*For further information, order *Building Permits*, April 1979 (64-001, 70¢/\$7)

Advance Estimates of Employees

April 1979

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Number of Employees									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations				Seasonally adjusted					
	Apr. 1979f	Mar. 1979p	Feb. 1979r	Jan. 1979r	Apr. 1978 (000's)	Mar. 1978	Apr. 1979f	Mar. 1979p	Feb. 1979r	Jan. 1979r
Industry Division										
Forestry	51.3	54.9	58.4	59.9	47.6	49.7	72.0	69.0	68.2	69.1
Mining (including milling)	136.7	138.5	136.8	137.0	130.7	135.1	142.2	141.0	139.2	138.5
Manufacturing	1,842.6	1,828.2	1,808.2	1,797.9	1,768.7	1,746.4	1,861.1	1,861.1	1,856.7	1,847.4
Construction	426.5	397.9	384.4	394.7	405.2	374.3	451.3	458.3	453.9	463.1
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	798.2	790.0	790.5	795.3	784.3	774.6	810.4	811.6	813.8	817.4
Trade	1,481.2	1,464.9	1,454.7	1,477.9	1,440.9	1,432.8	1,496.8	1,488.9	1,483.1	1,496.8
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	489.3	489.4	488.5	488.9	483.3	484.8	495.2	493.8	493.1	492.4
Total Service	2,628.0	2,633.0	2,612.2	2,598.9	2,540.5	2,544.1	2,610.0	2,624.0	2,616.4	2,614.7
Non-commercial Service	1,472.0	1,478.7	1,474.5	1,450.2	1,436.7	1,445.8	1,436.2	1,434.2	1,431.2	1,420.2
Commercial Service	1,156.0	1,154.3	1,137.6	1,148.7	1,103.8	1,098.3	1,173.8	1,189.7	1,185.2	1,194.4
Public Administration and Defence(1)	617.4	618.2	613.9	609.0	620.5	625.9	631.0	628.5	626.7	627.0
Total Non-agricultural Industries(2)	8,481.1	8,424.1	8,355.4	8,367.5	8,229.8	8,173.8	8,582.2	8,588.6	8,565.4	8,578.6
Total Non-agricultural Industries										
Newfoundland	129.6	127.6	128.7	129.2	121.4	120.5	136.5	136.2	138.4	138.8
Prince Edward Island	29.7	28.8	29.0	29.6	28.0	27.6	31.7	32.0	32.0	32.7
Nova Scotia	248.4	243.9	242.1	243.5	234.4	232.5	255.5	254.0	252.5	254.7
New Brunswick	187.0	183.0	182.5	183.2	176.7	175.4	196.9	193.3	195.1	195.3
Quebec	2,151.2	2,135.3	2,123.3	2,128.0	2,085.7	2,067.6	2,170.7	2,176.6	2,178.2	2,179.6
Ontario	3,367.1	3,346.3	3,325.7	3,333.9	3,334.5	3,305.0	3,398.4	3,404.1	3,393.5	3,403.0
Manitoba	349.8	351.2	345.1	345.8	339.7	338.9	355.0	358.9	354.2	354.2
Saskatchewan	262.1	259.2	254.7	253.6	247.8	248.0	265.8	264.3	260.2	258.8
Alberta	777.7	774.5	765.7	765.9	726.7	726.5	790.4	789.6	781.8	782.6
British Columbia	945.4	941.9	927.9	924.0	904.7	903.8	945.3	943.0	941.3	942.3
Canada(3)	8,481.1	8,424.1	8,355.4	8,367.5	8,229.8	8,173.8	8,582.2	8,588.6	8,565.4	8,578.6

f first estimate based on a limited number of returns

p preliminary figures

r revised figures

(1) Excludes military personnel

(2) Includes Fishing and Trapping

(3) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories

Estimates of Employees, April 1979 — Advance Information

Monthly summary data are released on a regular basis in the *Statistics Canada Daily*, while detailed monthly information is published in catalogue 72-008, *Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry*, and is also available from G. Mahoney (613-995-6868), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

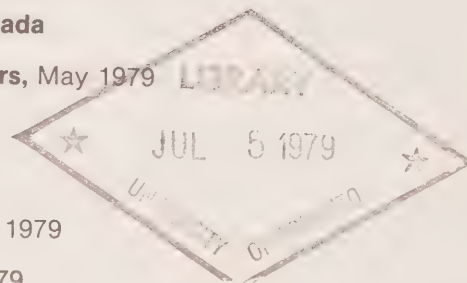
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Financial Flows

Advance information on the first quarter of 1979, for selected sectors, is now available from the Financial Flows Section.

For further information, contact P. Odenbach (613-995-0851), Financial Flows Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

- 13-002 (\$1.75/\$7) Financial Flow Accounts, Fourth Quarter 1978**
- 47-205 (\$1.05) Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries, 1977**
- 61-203 (70¢) Federal Government Enterprise Finance, 1977**
- 65-003 (\$2.10/\$8.40) Exports by Countries, January-March 1979**

1979 Niagara Sour Cherry Production Forecast

A recent survey conducted in the Niagara Region of southern Ontario indicates that sour cherry production in 1979 will be 49% above last year.

The survey involves taking fruit counts on selected limbs of trees and this year the count was taken during the June 18 to 22 period. Actual production could change from this forecast, depending upon weather conditions as well as other factors prevailing throughout the remainder of the growing season. Sour cherries are used mainly in the manufacturing of pie fillings, jams, jellies and flavour concentrates.

For further information, contact the Horticultural Unit (613-995-4877), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

	Apr. 1979	Mar. 1979	Apr. 1978	% Change From	
				Mar. 1979	Apr. 1978
Benefits					
Amount paid (\$000)	412,604	429,490	436,410	-4	-5
Weeks of benefit (000)	3,817	3,979	3,955	-4	-3
Average weekly benefit (\$)	108.09	107.95	110.33	—	-2
Claims received (000)	189	193	217	-2	-13
Beneficiaries (000)	868p	938p	958	-7	-9

	To Date		% Change From
	1979	1978	4 months 1979/1978
Benefits			
Amount paid (\$000)	1,795,813	1,882,142	-5
Weeks of benefit (000)	16,420	17,115	-4
Average weekly benefit (\$)	109.36	109.97	-1
Claims received (000)	887	935	-5
Beneficiaries(1) (000)	932p	999	-7

(1) Monthly average.

p Preliminary figures.

For further information, order the April 1979 issue of *Preliminary Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001-p) or *Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-001, Quarterly, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact George Fincham (613-995-8445), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Preliminary Report On Unemployment Insurance Statistics, April 1979 — Advance Information

The number of claimants qualifying for unemployment insurance benefits dropped to 868,000* for the week ended April 21, a decrease of 7% from March and 9% less than in April 1979. Six percent of the beneficiaries reported some earnings from employment.

Unemployment insurance benefits amounted to \$413 million* in April, down 4% from the previous month and 5% from April 1978. Year-to-date benefits totalled \$1,796 million compared with \$1,882 million in the January-April period in 1978, a decline of 5%. Sixty-two percent of the benefits in the first four months were paid to residents of Ontario and Quebec, 19% to the Western Provinces and 18% to the Atlantic Provinces.

Claims submitted by applicants for benefits in April totalled 189,000, a drop of 2% from March and down 13% from April 1978. For the year to date some 887,000 claims were received, 5% fewer than in the same period of 1978. Claims were lower in all provinces for the January-April 1979 period, except for increases of

about 7% in Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick.

* The count of beneficiaries cannot be related to the benefit payments made during a month. Whereas the latter figure covers all benefit payments made during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons who qualified for benefits for a specific week each month regardless of when they received payment.

Seed Potato Prices, New Brunswick, April 1979

The average prices paid to New Brunswick seed potato growers during the month of April were as follows: Elite 2 and 3, \$4.38 per cwt.; Foundation, \$3.98 per cwt.; and Certified, \$3.17 per cwt.

For further information, contact K.C. Wardley (613-995-4877), Horticultural Crops Unit, Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Civil Justice in Canada

Companies are the biggest users of our civil courts and win a much higher percentage of their cases than individuals, according to a Statistics Canada research study, *Civil Justice in Canada*.

The report, prepared by Dr. Craig McKie and Dr. Paul Reed of the Justice Statistics Division, is the first of its kind in this country and believed to be the most wide-ranging to be carried out anywhere.

Highlights of the findings on civil court actions:

- Companies were awarded some or all of their monetary claims in 51% of their cases compared to 29% for individuals.
- Contract and property disputes accounted for 73% of all cases and most of these were about default on payment for goods sold and promissory notes. Contract and property cases dominated in all provinces and the territories, with a high of 86% in both the Yukon and Northwest Territories and a low of 59.8% in Quebec.
- Traffic injuries prompted the second highest number of cases in most provinces, averaging 9% nationally and a high of 14.3% in Manitoba.
- Family disputes, excluding divorce, were highest in Quebec at 8.9% of that province's total cases.
- About half of all cases were settled or ended before going to trial.
- Where there was a trial judgment, the plaintiff — the person or company suing — won in three out of four cases.
- About 57% of all cases took less than three months to complete, and about 83% were ended within a year. Cases in Quebec and Manitoba took longer than those in other provinces, with less than average time being taken in the Maritimes.
- Some 40% of all cases involved a company suing an individual person — the most common type of suit — and individual vs. individual was next with 18% of the total.
- Plaintiffs were more likely to be represented by legal counsel (85%) than were defendants (31%).
- For defendants, having a lawyer made an appreciable difference — 9.5% of such defendants won as compared with only 1.1% without representation.
- Lawyers were least present (6%) in small claims court and most often engaged in serious cases such as those involving traffic injury.
- Fewer than half of contract and property actions involved less than \$500.
- About one case in 20 was appealed to a higher court, and most appeals were launched by individuals rather than companies.
- Awards varied widely in equivalent courts across the country. For example, in the provincial Supreme Court in St. John's, the median award was \$713 compared to \$7,501 in the Saskatchewan Supreme Court in Regina.

The report is based on an analysis of 13,815 civil cases filed in 1971. The sampling was carried out in 1974 and 1975 in 56 carefully selected courts in every province and territory except Ontario. Welfare, divorce and criminal code cases were excluded. The report is in two parts, one dealing with the findings, the other with the methods used in the survey. For more information, contact Dr. Paul Reed (613-995-0709), Justice Statistics Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, May 1979 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,667,078,000 square feet (154 876 000 m²) of corrugated boxes and wrappers in May, an increase of 3.1% from 1,617,310,000 square feet (150 253 000 m²) a year earlier.

January to May shipments totalled 8,138,215,000 square feet (756 065 000 m²) in 1979 compared to 7,403,385,000 square feet (687 798 000 m²) in 1978.

For further information, order the May issue of *Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Oilseeds, May 1979 — Advance Information

Domestic crushings of vegetable oilseeds for May, with oil produced and meal produced (all figures in metric tonnes);

- Soybeans: 67 106 (11 927; 51 930).
- Rapeseed: 60 796 (25 023; 33 585).

For further information, order the May issue of *Grains and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, 40¢/\$4), or contact Judy Huard (613-995-4877), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

The Dairy Review, April 1979 — Advance Information

An estimated 576 679 kilolitres of milk were sold off farms for all purposes in April 1979, 3.2% less than in April 1978.

This brought the total estimate of milk sold off farms during the four months of the year to 2 034 927 kilolitres of milk, an increase of 2.5% from the January-April period in 1978.

For further information, order the May 1979 issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact C.M. Riach (613-995-4853), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Coal and Coke Statistics, April 1979 — Advance Information

Coal production in Canada increased 10.8% in April to 2 656 790 metric tonnes from 2 397 399 tonnes a year earlier. Landed imports more than doubled to 1 851 785 tonnes from 851 091 tonnes.

Canadian coal production for the first four months of 1979 totalled 10 773 689 tonnes, up 6.6% from 10 107 836 tonnes in the January-April 1978 period.

For further information, order the April issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact Dave Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy Section, Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending June 14, 1979

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	2,757,806	2,334,540	5,092,346
Short tons, 1978	1,920,741	2,466,854	4,387,595
Metric tonnes, 1979	2 501 840	2 117 859	4 619 699
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 742 467	2 237 892	3 980 359
% change	43.6	-5.4	16.1
Cars, 1979	42,560	34,613	77,173
Cars, 1978	35,036	36,898	71,934
% change	21.5	-6.2	7.3
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	149,917	62,448	212,365
Short tons, 1978	169,210	63,562	232,772
Metric tonnes, 1979	136 002	56 652	192 654
Metric tonnes, 1978	153 505	57 662	211 167
% change	-11.4	-1.8	-8.8
Cars, 1979	4,690	2,377	7,067
Cars, 1978	5,134	2,541	7,675
% change	-8.6	-6.5	-7.9
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	59,676,505	51,495,714	111,172,219
Short tons, 1978	48,623,627	51,170,089	99,793,716
Metric tonnes, 1979	54 137 615	46 716 126	100 853 741
Metric tonnes, 1978	44 110 612	46 420 724	90 531 336
% change	22.7	0.6	11.4
Cars, 1979	947,999	753,708	1,701,707
Cars, 1978	844,500	766,717	1,611,217
% change	12.3	1.7	5.6
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1979	3,773,777	1,466,870	5,240,647
Short tons, 1978	3,854,490	1,387,565	5,242,055
Metric tonnes, 1979	3 423 513	1 330 722	4 754 235
Metric tonnes, 1978	3 496 735	1 258 778	4 755 513
% change	-2.1	5.7	—
Cars, 1979	115,066	55,763	170,829
Cars, 1978	116,604	56,030	172,634
% change	-1.3	-0.5	-1.0

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1978 figures have been revised — 1979 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended June 14, 1979 —
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Freight loaded in Canada by rail totalled 4.6 million t (5.1 million short tons) in the second week of June, a 16.1% increase over the corresponding 1978 period. Tonnage originating in the East was up 43.6% (a gain resulting primarily from traffic losses due to strikes in 1978). Western loadings in the latest seven days were 5.4% below the year-earlier level.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments were down in both regions of the country (11.4% in the East and 1.8% in the West) to register an over-all decline of 8.8%.

In the January 1 to June 14, 1979 period, freight loaded by railways in Canada was up 11.4% over 1978 and the number of cars loaded rose by 5.6%. Contrainer-trailer (piggyback) traffic was down marginally from the 1978 period.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Average Wages of Farm Help Per Hour
(Without Board)

as at May 15, 1979

	\$
Maritimes (P.E.I., N.S., N.B.)	3.43
Québec	3.66
Ontario	3.76
Manitoba	4.36
Saskatchewan	4.36
Alberta	4.26
British Columbia	4.54
Canada	3.95

Farm Wages in Canada, May 15, 1979

The Farm Wages in Canada series provides estimates of average cash wages paid to hired farm labour by province as of a particular date. For further information, order *Farm Wages in Canada* (21-002, \$1.40 a year), or contact Michael Trant (613-995-4896), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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